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7 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
7 Royal Asiatic Society Soirée, 5-7.30
7 Free Christian Science Lecture, 1647 Avenue Road, 6
7 B.U.S.C. Winter Social Evening, Winter Garden, 1505 Yu Yuen Rd., 8
7 For. Y. Debate: 'Wealth and Happiness'
7 *Marshal Tuan Chi-jui's coffin left Shanghai for Peiping (1936)*

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8 S.W.A. Exhibition, C.S.F., 9-7
8 For. Y. 'Hour of Music'
8 A.U.C. Social Get-Together, Winter Garden, 8
8 Shanghai Camera Club, Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
9 Alpha Kappa Omega Scholarship Fund Raffle drawing, Y.W.C.A., 999 Bubbling Well Road, 4
9 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
9 Betar Girls' Dance, A.W.C., 9
10 Municipal Orchestra, 9th Symphony Concert, Lyceum Theatre, 5.15
11 B.W.A. Needlecraft Sale
11 Y.W.C.A. Fin. Camp. 3rd Report Day
12 A.W.C. book review, Mrs. Hylbert, 4.45
12 For. Y. Lecture: 'Chinese Music' by Mr. J. H. Levis
12 Curtis Strauss' non-stop film revue, 'Piccadilly Follies,' A.W.C., 9
13 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
13 Artist Club, Hongkew, Eastern Theatre, 'The Happy Husband' by E. Eysler, 8.30
14 B.W.A. Home and G'den Section, 10
14 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
14 Cradle bridge/mahjongg, S.I.B.C., 3
14 Corps Cavalry Smoker, S.R.C., 7.30
14 'Venus in Silks,' music by R. Stolz. Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
14 20th Annual Hanuccah Ball, Cercle Sportif Francaise
14 'Madame Butterfly,' by G. Puccini, First Grand Opera of the Season, at Russ. Club Theatre, 1053 Ave. Foch, 9
15 B.W.A. Gift Day for Hampers
15 For. Y. 'Hour of Music'
15 Shanghai Younger Set present 'Dithyrambics.' Proceeds for British War Work Fund, Lyceum Theatre, 9
16 K.K.K. Bazaar, Masonic Hall, 2.30
16 B.W.A. Gift Day for Hampers
16 'Venus in Silks,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
16 'Madame Butterfly,' by G. Puccini, First Grand Opera of the Season, at Russ. Club Theatre, 1053 Ave. Foch, 9
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18 Two Christmas Plays. Public School for Girls, 5.30
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19 A.W.C. X'mas music and plays, 4.45
19 For. Y. Lecture: 'Modern Physics' by Dr. S. H. Chao
19 Artist Club, Hongkew, Eastern Theatre, 'Nathan The Wise,' by Lessing. Directed by Alfred Dreifuss, 8.30
19 Leonora Valesby violin recital, A.W.C.
20 Cathedral Carol Service, 5.45
21 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
23 Children's Christmas Party, Shanghai Engineers' Club, 3.
24 Cathedral Carol Service, 5
24 'Venus in Silks,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirtieth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Friday, December 22, 1939 at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended September 30, 1939, declaring a Final Dividend, electing a Director and Auditors and transacting any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from December 16 to December 22, 1939, both days inclusive.

Shareholders are requested to notify the General Managers promptly of any change of address that may have taken place since the last dividend or preferably to supply the General Managers with the address of their Bankers to whom Dividend Warrants will be sent direct.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Shanghai, December 7, 1939.

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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from December 11, to December 15, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. R. BURKILL & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries and General Managers.
Shanghai, November 25, 1939.

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The Merchant Navy : A Reply to Complainant

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I am writing this letter in a strong condemnation of BRITISH SEAMAN's unjust, incorrect, inconsistent and ill-timed letter. I am writing with a comprehension of facts regarding the employment of foreign nationals on British ships and, if I cannot substantiate some of my statements with the official, or unofficial, source of my information, it is to be understood.

The inconsistencies of his vituperation can be readily seen. He states "During their hours on watch these men are in absolute control (the master and chief engineer must sleep) and many things can happen, so why not have British officers take their places?. . . ." That statement, to me, insinuates that any officer of nationality other than British is not capable of being left in control, which is ridiculous. Later on BRITISH SEAMAN states "I am not trying to run down the abilities of other nationals". Well, dear Editor, if the first quotation mentioned in this paragraph is not crying down the abilities of other nationals, I think I'll go back to school and start learning English. The indirect accusation of that quotation is obvious even to me, a British seaman—I beg your pardon, a just British seaman, with a cognizance of facts apparently beyond that of your correspondent.

"British Seaman" talks about employing other than British on British ships and says substitute with British officers. All I can say is for him to go along to the British Consulate Shipping Office and try and get hold of some British tickets—I don't think he'll succeed; there is none spare in Shanghai.

He talks of H.M.S.'s Westcott and Birmingham going to render naval assistance to British ships and wonders if these ships had British officers, a pointless question, insomuch as the ships were British and no matter who mans them they are entitled to naval assistance if required.

I know of a recent case where two nationals of a country other than Britain were taken on as chief officers of British ships—there was not a Briton to be found at a loose end or out of a job in Shanghai and I'm sure that we, as British Merchant Navy officers, are only too glad to have the assistance of others to keep the old red duster trotting around. That's where the injustice of BRITISH SEAMAN's letter comes in. When in trouble or short of men we are quite willing to take on the services of friendly neutrals, neutrals who are fully aware that, being in a ship of a belligerent nation, they are liable to be sent to Davy Jones' locker by mine, bomb or shellfire. I say thanks to the laddies who are helping us.

We are fighting for freedom of thought, action and speech and friendship among nations and I'm afraid that our friend is not helping much by writing as he does.

In my humble opinion, writing to the press on subjects away from our own immediate welfare is rather futile, insomuch that it only expresses one man's opinion, usually not an authoritative one. Naturally BRITISH SEAMAN as a Bristih seaman is fully entitled to write about British seamen and in some respects I can see his point, although on the whole his letter gives me the opinion of 'sour grapes'. His opinions are naturally authoritative in the respect that he is writing of a brotherhood of which he is a member, but it would be better if such letters as his were not written, for they are apt to be entirely misleading and, in my opinion, insulting to foreigners whom we count amongst our friends—friends in need.

During the last war I believe that Norwegian shipping losses (mainly carrying goods for the Allies) were greater than Britain's. That statement may, or may not, be correct in the full sense of the word but there is no doubt of its comparative truth. Norway has but 2¾ million inhabitants and is predominantly a nation of seamen which, although I am mentioning but one country, further proves the injustice of your correspondent's letter.

Since I first went to sea (quite a few years back) I have sailed with nationals of almost every seafaring country of the world. I have been in emergency with them when the order of the day was cool heads and staunch hearts, and they haven't failed anymore than anyone else might, including ourselves. I am British, and proud of it, prouder still to be one of her seamen but, damn it all, give credit where it is due. National pride is a great thing providing it doesn't lead to egotistical nationalism, such as is evinced by many Germans. Might is not right, or should not be, and the average educated Britisher realizes it.

I agree that we should have Britons manning British ships whenever possible but if 'you ain't got none' what are you going to do?—produce them out of a hat?

Your correspondent states that during the Great War nobody was allowed to sit for a certificate without producing a birth certificate to prove that he was British. I might state that nobody, in war or peace, is allowed to sit without his birth certificate; moreover, it is required for every ticket that one sits for. Actually to further prove the inconsistencies of our friend's letter (if such proof is necessary) I happen to know that during the Great War certain foreign nationals were given authority to be in command of British ships and we were dashed glad to have them.

If, as is stated, our Merchant Marine is not being manned as it might be, well it never will be, for you won't find many British Officers out of a job at the moment.

You caption BRITISH SEAMAN's letter with "Plea for British Officers." It's a plea alright, but an unnecessary and useless one.

And so I'll close and say that I am sending you this letter purely and simply out of a sense of justice and hope that it will be taken as such.

ALSO A BRITISH SEAMAN.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

Where the Fault Lies

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Replying to the letter signed BRITISH SEAMAN in your issue of today, the reason that British officers are not available for service in British ships is that adequate and proper provision is not made to train young men to become officers in the merchant services, as 90 per cent. of British merchant ships are manned by cheap alien labour, mostly Lascars, Arabs and Chinese. This being the case, there is no inducement for young men to take to the sea for a livelihood. The conditions under which apprentices are compelled to work in British ships, does not interest any clean healthy minded boy to go to sea.

AUSTRALIA.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

Insufficient Men

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Referring to the letter by BRITISH SEAMAN in your issue of December 5, I beg to request a few lines in reply.

In the first place, I feel that BRITISH SEAMAN does great injustice to British ship-owners, authorities and insurance companies in assuming that they would allow non-British officers to be signed on Articles in British ships if British officers were available, and secondly to the abilities of non-British officers serving in British ships.

Undoubtedly, many non-British officers are serving in British ships today for the reason that there are no British officers available. Many suitable British Merchant Service officers are today serving in all branches of the Navy, and, in consequence, there is a shortage of officers for the Merchant Service.

The Merchant Service must carry on, and for lack of British officers, non-Britons are engaged. If BRITISH SEAMAN thinks that British ship-owners and authorities would allow suspicious, inferior non-British officers to be signed on in British ships, I think that he not only does them an injustice, but also doubts their intelligence. Who would, particularly in war time, send out their ships in the hands of suspicious and/or incompetent officers? Certainly, the character and competence of non-British officers in British ships will have been ascertained by the owners and authorities.

BRITISH SEAMAN states that, when the captain and chief engineer have their watches below, many things could happen when there are non-British officers on watch,—but, if British officers took their places, it might mean saving many ships with valuable cargoes and lives.

Do you, BRITISH SEAMAN, have so little confidence in foreign officers? Don't you think there are other people but British who could cope with whatever situation a watch-keeping officer might find himself in? For your information there are neutral nations with equally long seafaring traditions and whose shipping,—in comparing populations,—by far exceeds the British and is also of primary importance. That these neutral nations should not be able to produce responsible watchkeeping officers in British ships, like they do in their own well-run ships, must be doubted. As to loyalty, every officer, if not for the sake of his own ship, cargo and shipmates, irrespective of nationality, will have to be loyal to his own ship to save his own life.

If BRITISH SEAMAN cared to go into the question, I think he would find that hundreds of neutral officers and sailors whose fathers and brothers were killed in the last unrestricted warfare at sea, and whose relatives and countrymen are being slaughtered in this war at sea, where hardly any consideration is given neutrals, would willingly join British merchant ships to carry out trade for the benefit of Great Britain as well as for their own countries, and would even join British armed merchantmen or even fight, shoulder to shoulder, with their British brother officers and sailors in any branch of the British Navy to free the oceans once and for all of the horrors of unrestricted warfare at sea.

That BRITISH SEAMAN remarks "that he is not trying to cry down the abilities of other nationals," is a contradiction of the first part of his letter.

I deem his letter to be inconsistent, illogical, and ill-timed, and that he does no good to his country in time of need by writing as he does.

NORSE SEAMAN.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Support for British Seamen

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Although not following the sea as a profession—too old—I have had over thirty years' experience (I am proud to say) in the British Mercantile Marine, and should like this opportunity to endorse everything BRITISH SEAMAN says in his letter appearing in your esteemed paper of even date.

In my opinion it is a disgrace that any British firms owning ships and flying the old red duster should be allowed to man such ships with foreigners, with the possible exception of master and chief engineer, when sailors of our nationality are on the beach.

What do you think of a ship under the British flag with only one foreigner aboard, the master? As BRITISH SEAMAN says, what about a man needing sleep? The poor beggar would get little, methinks, if he had to turn over his ship to some foreign mates I have seen.

Again, what about tight places?—I've seen a few where a moment's indecision would be fatal. I'm not an agitator, but I am ashamed of my cloth when I realize that if our certificated men would only put their feet down, then things would move and the B.O.T. sit up and take notice: but no, we are like sheep, follow the leader, as evidenced at some of our guild meetings; they positively make you ill.

So the owner pays foreign crews low wages, and raises dividends; the ships are well insured, and do not dare call at British ports. So all is well, and we simply grin and bear it, and, yes, evidently like it, or we should long ago have taken steps to see that British ships carry British crews.

ANCIENT MARINER.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

Tientsin's Example

Subsidiary Curreney : A Remedy Suggested

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I shall be exceedingly grateful if you would insert this little message in your valuable paper.

As a ratepayer I would like to know what our so-called city fathers are doing to relieve this exchange shortage their sons and daughters are experiencing.

Up to the present they are mute. Therefore the only conclusion I draw, would be that with old age comes feebleness, leaving it, therefore, for one of their dutiful sons to suggest something.

Could not our city daddies give immediate orders for the immediate printing of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 cents tokens to relieve the temporary shortage?

As a civil body the S.M.C. has the authority to do so, various utility and private companies issues have been accepted, therefore S.M.C. issue will not only be accepted, but welcome.

It will also be a profitable venture as a fair amount will not be cashed in, when on improved situation, the Council will deem it wise to recall these tokens.

FED UP, AND HOW!

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

Punch Coupons Suggested

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—This morning I got on a No. 1. bus, when I produced a dollar for exchange the conductor told me that he had no small change and suggested that I have a free ride to wherever I wished to go.

This is very awkward, for I do not wish to have a free ride (it is a bad practice for the Bus Co. as well as for patrons) yet I do not choose to walk such a long way or ride in the freezing wind in a rickshaw.

Here is a suggestion which I think the Bus Co. could help to relieve this embarrassment of shortage of small change by simply issuing a kind of small change coupon (made of thin card board) at a dollar each—on this ticket cents from 1 to 100 could be printed. And the conductor would then be able to clip a hole on the amount designated from time to time till the whole amount is used up.

This could not involve much expense, but it would certainly help everybody who has no change but wish to take a bus ride. Someone else might have a better suggestion but any way I hope the Bus and other companies will do something about it.

W. N.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

Outside Roads : Other Burning Questions

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It would appear that your correspondent CO-OPTIMIST in yesterday's issue of the North China Daily News, is an interested Debenture holder.

Whilst agreeing with him regarding the propositions he put forward, I would suggest that matters of more importance be attended to before any such negotiations are continued with or concluded. One such is, that in order to keep our own linen clean negotiations with the various parties interested and a committee be set up to set aright the profiteering by landlords and all who contribute towards keeping the wheels of trade in motion, and also to re-adjust the salaries of those who are lowly paid (on a dollar basis) who have to live within the settlement limits proper.

DOLLAR.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Double Blockade : Message Causes Dismay

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Britons and their friends here read with the utmost dismay the following passage in a United Press telegram from London published yesterday under the caption "Allied 'Double Blockade' Comes Into Effect"—

> Britain informed neutral powers that she intends to avoid depriving them of vital German exports such as the shipment of German arms and munitions to Japan while they are vital in the prosecution of Japan's war in China.

Searching your columns today for an authoritative British denial of any intention to loosen the blockade in favour of the shipment of German arms to Japan for the purpose of enabling her to continue her aggression in this country one is again dismayed by finding none. As might be expected a protest is registered from Chungking, but the sooner we have a definite contradiction of the British Government's desire to placate Japan in this manner the better for British 'face' in China.

NON-AGGRESSION.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Ladies' Hats : Cinema-goer Complains

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—When I thought that I would go
The other day to picture-show
A lady bold as she could be
Sitting right in front of me
Had upon her head a hat
Which was just reverse of flat
Stuck straight up as the latest do
It spoilt of course my screenal view
Would ladies please to be so kind
And remember them wot sits be'ind!

K. S. MACKENZIE.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Honolulu : An Enquiry

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I would be very much obliged if any of your readers could give me the address of an employment agency in Honolulu, and also if they can tell me whether the laws governing aliens entering the United States apply to Honolulu.

(Miss) D. S. GRAHAME.

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

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The Blanket Plea : Bishop Curtis's Thanks

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—Last Thursday you kindly gave me permission to ask in your columns for help for our Maternity Department in the C.M.S. Hospital, Hangchow. I hope to leave today, Wednesday, accompanied by five large bundles of blankets and with a considerable sum of money in my pocket to be expended at the discretion of the powers that be in the Hospital.

Kind gifts in money or blankets were received from Mmes. McEwen, Premet and Weaver, Misses Bremer, Drewitt, Richey and Wells, Bishop Gilman, Dr. Morris, Mr. W. C. Cassels, the Cathedral Girls' Friendly Society and the Ewo Mills. Marden & Co. kindly packed and transported the goods, Mrs. Box helped me to inspect blankets and the Dean's car helped to get me round. To all these, best thanks on behalf of our Hangchow mothers.

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Russian Ballet : Hunchback of Notre Dame

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your critic gave a very adequate and fair account of that admirable ballet, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, which will be shown again at the Lyceum at the end of the week.

Yet it is to be regretted that so many people in Shanghai seem to ignore that there is in this city where we are deprived, as a rule, of any artistic or intellectual entertainment, a spectacle of such rare beauty as the Russian Ballets.

As a perfectly impartial person with no axe to grind and with no interest whatsoever in the management of those ballets, I wish to say that it is a pity there is not a better backing on the part of the Shanghai public who, in the circumstance demonstrates the weaker side of the "Shanghai mind."

The scenery is gorgeous, the costumes worthy of any first class theatre in Europe or America and Miss Audrey King one of the best dancers and actresses I have ever seen. Let it be said, en passant, that while many Japanese have patronized the show, Chinese have been conspicuous by their absence—which is not to their credit.

THEATRE LOVER.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF DECEMBER 7, 1869

Market Prices

	cents	
Beef	7—8	per lb.
Mutton	18—20	..
Veal	14—16	..
Pork	20—25	..
Fish	7— 8	..
Soles	10—12	..
Prawns	8—10	..
Pheasants	50—60	per brace
Hares	25—30	each
Wild duck	60—65	per couple
Pidgeon	35—40	..
Teal	25—30	..
Wild geese	80—90	each
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Woodcock	$1 each	
Quail	$1 for 16 or 22	
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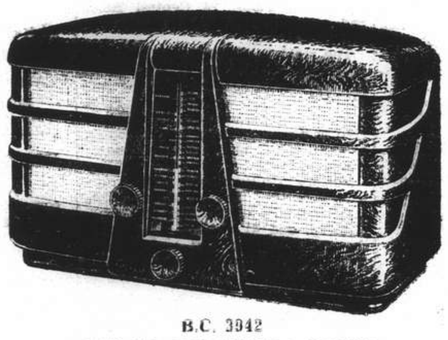

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FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

Current Films

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CATHAY.—"Espionage Agent."—Thrilling drama of America's Secret Service, with a beautiful alien, whose marriage to an American diplomat has ruined her husband's career, teaming up with him to return to her native land and break up an international spy ring. With Joel McCrea, Brenda Marshall, Jeffrey Lynn, George Bancroft, Stanley Ridges and James Stephenson. Opens today.

NANKING.—"Second Fiddle."—Six new Irving Berlin song hits, ice tangoes, snow rhumbas, a spectacular ballet on skates from the glittering background for a glamorous romance between Tyrone and Sonja in the most entertaining picture the Norwegian wonder-girl has yet made. Starring Sonja Henie, and Tyrone Power, with Rudy Vallee, Edna May Oliver, Mary Healy and Lyle Talbot. Reviewed elsewhere.

METROPOL.—"Union Pacific."—Cecil B. De Mille's latest and greatest screen epic tells the thrilling and eventful tale of the building, despite every kind of obstacle that Nature, hostile Indians and warring interests could provide, of the first transcontinental railway. Starring Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea, with Akim Tamiroff, Lynne Overman, Robert Preston, Brian Donlevy, Anothony Quinn, Evelyn Keyes, Stanley Ridges and Regis Toomey. Opens today.

PARIS.—"The Drum".—Thrilling and spectacular drama of India's famous Northwest Frontier. In Technicolor. With Sabu, Raymond Massey and Roger Tester.

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GOLDEN GATE.—"Arrest Bulldog Drummond."—John Howard in his most efficient role, with Heather Angel.

RIALTO.—"Blackwell's Island." — John Garfield in his first starring role, dramatic, human and dynamic.

CAPITOL.—"Pardon Our Nerve."—Lynn Bari and Michael Whalen capitalizing on big boy Williams physical prowess in a punch-packed comedy.

Films Coming

"Charlie Chan at Treasure Island."—A new kind of crime riddle is presented for Chan's solution when death strikes in the weird Temple of Magic at the San Francisco World's Fair. With Sidney Toler, Cesar Romero, Pauline Moore, Sen Yung, Douglas Fowley, June Gale, Douglas Dumbrille, Sally Blane, Billie Seward and Wally Vernon. coming to the **NANKING**.

"Young Mr. Lincoln."—The thrilling, romantic, eventful youth of the Great Emancipator brought to the screen in a drama as whimsical and human as its hero. With Henry Fonda, as Abraham Lincoln; Alice Brady, Marjorie Weaver, Arleen Whelan, Eddie Collins, Pauline Moore and Richard Cromwell. Coming soon to the **CATHAY**.

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"Childhood of Gorky."—Colourful film version of Maxim Gorky's story of his own tragic boyhood in Russian dialogue. With, Alesha Lyarsky, V. Massalitinova, M. Troyanovsky and E. Alexeyeva. Coming to the **METROPOL**.

"Two Bright Boys."—Melodramatic tale of pluck and villainy in the Texas oil fields, with a fiery-tempered Irish kid battling crooks and gunmen to safeguard what belongs to him. With Jackie Cooper, Freddie Bartholomew, Alan Dinehart, Melville Cooper and Dorothy Peterson. Coming to the **NANKING**.

"Indianapolis Speedway.—The death of a chum on an automobile race-track leads to a grudge fight between brothers in a romance-packed drama of spills and thrills. With Ann Sheridan, Pat O'Brien, John Payne, Gale Page, Frank McHugh, Grace Stafford and Granville Bates. Coming to the **GRAND**.

"A Christmas Carol."—Charles Dickens' immortal story in which Scrooge, the miser, is visited by the ghost of his partner Marley, and three spirits, who open his eyes to the true inwardness of the Christmas season. With Reginald Owen, Gene Lockhart, Kathleen Lockhart, Terry Kilburn and Barry Mackay. Coming to the **CATHAY**.

"The Saint in London."—The word's slickest outlaw returns to London to outwit a gang of international crooks who are perpetrating a currency fraud and brings them to bay when the police fail. With George Sanders, Sally Gray, David Burns, Gordon McLeod, Henry Oscar, Athene Seyler and John Abbott. Coming to the **METROPOL**.

"Juarez."—Colourful drama of Maximilian's ill-fated attempt to round an empire in Mexico, produced on an epic scale with a mighty cast headed by Paul Muni, Bette Davis, Brian Aherne, John Garfield, Donald Crisp, Claude Rains, Fale Sondergaard, Gilbert Roland and Henry O'Neill. Coming to the **GRAND**.

To Dine and Dance

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BOLERO.—Night Club. Floorshow and Harry Fisher's band.

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EVENTAIL.—Night club with floorshow. Ruff's orchestra.

FARREN'S.—Fingerut's orchestra. Lucille Roberts, Anatoly and Olympia and the Dani Sisters.

Greta Bonn

Who tomorrow opens a dancing engagement at Farren's.

"Espionage Agent"

Opening today at the Cathay Theatre is this thriller having to do with American diplomatic and secret services—Joel McCrea, Brenda Marshal and George Bancroft.

"Second Fiddle"

At the Nanking Theatre today is this musicale with six song hits by Irving Berlin—players include Sonja Henie, Tyrone Power, Rudy Vallee, Edna May Oliver, Mary Healy and Alan Dinehart.

"Charlie Chan at Treasure Island"

Sidney Toler will soon be starred at the Nanking Theatre, in the latest of this series, very topical—in support are Cesar Romero, Pauline Moore, June Gale and Douglas Dumbrille.

"Jamaica Inn"

Nearly all cine-fans will welcome the return of Charles Laughton to the Grand screen today, specially when he has the support of the newest British star, Maureen O'hara.

"Venus in Silks"

For their holiday production the Russian Light Opera are presenting Stoltz's "Venus in Silks," in the Lyceum on the nights of December 14, 15, 17 and 24. Owing to the nature of the production the cast will include all the principals of the troupe. Bitner and Orlovskaya (prima donnas), Rosen and Valin (comedians) and Kudinoff and Slobodskoy, as well as many supporting players. This operetta never has been done in Shanghai before and is described as a modern.

A countess, instead of attending Court, sends an oil painting of herself, a prince falls in love with it and then the fun begins.

Chinese Concert

A benefit concert, sponsored by the Shanghai Cantonese Union Church choir and orchestra, a Chinese organization, will take place tomorrow and on Sunday, at 8 p.m., at the American Women's Club. The proceeds will go to the China Children Welfare Association and the Shanghai Refugee Children Asylum. The past performances given by this musical unit in Shanghai, Canton, Nanking and Hongkong have won for it great fame, and it is believed that the forthcoming concert will be a surprising treat.

The programme will include: Mozart's "Cosi Fan Tutte" overture Mendelssohn's "Hear My Prayer," a motet for soprano solo with chorus, Tartini's violin sonata in G minor. Haydn's symphony No. 99 in E flat, Lizst's "Tarantela" for piano solo. and Gounods's "Unfold Ye Portals" for chorus.

Farren's Floorshow

Lucille Roberts, mystifying psychoanalyst and mind-reader closes her special one-week engagement at Farren's tonight. She is leaving for the United States shortly and this is the last opportunity that her admirers will have of witnessing her art.

Opening tomorrow, however, is the Continental danseuse, Greta Bonn, her first appearance north of Singapore. She comes with an excellent reputation and repertoire and much is expected of her. The remainder of the floorshow continues outstanding, in which the Dani Sisters and Anatoly and Olympia vie for honours.

Arcadia Floorshow

Eight to ten items constitute the nightly floorshow at the Arcadia. which is under the capable direction of Nick Kniazeff, who is playing Quasimodo with the Russian Ballet. Kniazeff has had a world of experience and danced in Shanghai some years ago—his directive abilities approach his dancing.

Solos and duets are mingled with ensembles, the latter always being presented with colourful backdrops and in characteristic costumes. Serge Ermoll and his orchestra accompany, as well as playing during dinner and for the dancers.

GAIETY.—Night club. Bob and his five Bandstars. Russian and foreign cuisine. Floorshow.

HUNGARIA.—Night club. Hungarian gypsy music. Hungarian cuisine.

JESSFIELD CLUB.—Night club with Jerry Jarrett, E. Boder and S. Havsky.

MASKEE.—Night club. Jones, Ardatoff and Mike entertaining.

METROPOLE HOTEL.—Grill and dining rooms for business tiffins and other occasions.

MOULIN ROUGE.—Night club. Larry and Steve—Ruff and Curley.

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RENAISSANCE.—Empire night club, Vertinsky.

ROXY.—Night club, Jack, Charley and James.

French Club Dance

A very elaborate programme of festivities for Christmas and the New Year has been planned by the entertainment committee of the French Club, and an attractive brochure has been printed and is being mailed to all members.

In view of the heavy demand, it is hoped that members arranging parties for Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve and the Saturdays, December 23 and 30, will make their reservations as early as possible in order to avoid disappointment. Although the ballroom is the largest in the Orient, the accommodation is naturally limited.

For next Saturday, the following entertainment programme has been arranged:—

Hungarian Gypsy Dance ..Tiberet Ballet
Caucasian Dance ....Berta Chevronnaya
Scotch Dance .....Tiberet Ballet
"Two Guitars" .....Berta Chevronnaya
"Can-can" .....Tiberet Ballet

"Union Pacific"

The Metropol presents the ordinary run of this railway epic film, starring Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea.

"Busman's Honeymoon"

An attractive holiday production is now in preparation by the A.D.C. at the Lyceum Theatre for presentation on January 3 and the three following nights.

"Busman's Honeymoon" is an intriguing comedy thriller with much humour and a mystery running through the action of the play: it will find much favour with the younger generation and for that reason a matinee performance is to be given on January 6 at 3 p.m.

Popular Musicians

D.D.'s boasts two excellent musicians and, to their credit, it is to be noted, have renewed their contract. Teddy and Ferry Guzza were to have gone to the United States, but owing to passport difficulties, could not accept the contract offered them by a Los Angeles night club.

The American metropolis' loss, therefore, is Shanghai's gain.

Suzanne

Solo danseuse with the Pelicanettes at the Pelican nightly.

Dithyrambics

Variety Show in Aid of British War Fund

A group of young business people wishing to do their bit towards helping their country, decided to put all their spare energy into the production of a variety show. Rehearsals have been under way for one month, but it was difficult to find a suitable name for this extra special performance until it was agreed by all the members of the cast that "Dithyrambics" (it is found in Webster) was ideal: therefore Dithyrambics is to be, presented by the Shanghai Younger Set at the Lyceum Theatre, on December 15 at 9 p.m. The proceeds are entirely to be devoted to the British War Work Fund.

Miss Georgina Fuller is producer and business manager, Mrs. Arnhold-Jones is directing the opening number which is a rousing and jolly collection of popular dance tunes in an appropriate setting of a London street scene. Other indefatigable co-workers are Mr. J. Mills and Mr. S. Mesmer, who will be remembered for their famous comedy turns given in numerous previous performances in Shanghai. Not only will they take part in Dithyrambics, but they will also help to direct some of the humorous sketches on the programme.

Mr. Tarby's amateur orchestra which has already made a name for itself in Shanghai will furnish the music.

Miss Rita Weyler and the Misses V. and E. Smoleff, graceful pupils of Dita Tenger, will interpret beauty and rhythm to the strains of a popular waltz tune, Miss Weyler will also dance a tango.

Little Joy Blackwood, pupil of the Bateman, King School of Dancing, has already endeared herself to Shanghailanders and it is with pleasure that those in charge of Dithyrambics inform the public that she is to take in the show. The Girl Guides will be an added attraction and will provide an item full of gaiety and colour. Another treat in store is to be a solo sung by a very young lady with a very lovely voice Miss Mervyn Gatton.

The cast also includes, the Misses J. Huxley, Bessie and Nellie Stead, J. MacKenzie, B. Sayer, V. Gatton, E. Waelti, B. Fletcher, M. Young, L. Johns and the Messrs. P. Young, T. J. Smith, B. Aust, B. McLean, F. Fraser and many others.

There will be only one performance of Dithyrambics, so early booking is in order and one should not forget that in so doing one is also helping to do one's bit.

At the Moulin Rouge

Larry and Steve still hold forth at the Moulin Rouge much to the liking of patrons. their personal attention to guests being no small factor in the establishment's popularity. The premises are small and cozy and the management has fixed a definite limit as to the number of tables and none are placed on the dance floor.

Larry, at the drums, and Steve, accordeonist, often relieve the regular orchestra, singing in a number of languages.

"Hunchback of Notre Dame"

The "Hunchback of Notre Dame," which scored the well deserved success last week, will be repeated on Saturday and Sunday evenings and Sunday at a matinee. Excellent interpretation of the role of Esmeralda, the gypsy dancer, by Audrey King earned unanimous praise. Kniazeff as Quasimodo, the hunchback, bell-ringer of Notre Dame, Sokolsky as Claude Frollo and many other personages of the last cast created a vivid and striking picture of Victor Hugo's masterpiece.

Such ballet shows, interpreted by dancing and miming alone, with the absence of any language barriers, are easily understood and appreciated by all. Beautiful scenery and costumes, enchanting music and accomplished dancing and acting create an unforgettable picture.

Laurence Olivier

It is a long cry from Valentino who could not act to Laurence Oliver who can. It is understood that Hollywood has accepted Olivier as the latest and possibly best type of romantic hero.

He should have made his mark in the American studios years ago when Greta Garbo was making "Queen Christina." Olivier had just gone out there and the producing company was inclined to cast him for the masculine lead. But Greta Garbo had other ideas, and wanted her one-time friend, John Gilbert, to play opposite her. There was for a time a clash of opinion in the studio, but the Swedish star won, and Olivier left Hollywood with some feelings of disappointment and disgust.

It is his performance in "Wuthering Heights" which has given him his Hollwood cachet, and it is expected that he will repeat the success with "Rebecca," the film version of Daphne du Maurier's novel. The part of the second Mrs. de Winter in "Rebecca" will be played by Joan Fontaine. There has been almost as much rumour and controversy over this piece of casting as over Scarlet O'Hara in "Gone With The Wind." Miss Fontaine is believed to have had his recognition on account of her performance in "The Women."

Graceful Pelicanettes

The management of the Pelican is fortunate to have this group of dancers for entertaining patrons. They are versatile and work as soloists, in duos and trios or as ensembles. It is expected that they will present a change of floorshow tomorrow night, holding over their most popular ensemble. Few, if any, noted last week-end that some of them took part in the outstanding Russian Ballet at the Lyceum.

The orchestra, consisting of Geza and Gino, G-men pianists and Schlittner and Tafet, provide excellent music for dancing and accompany the show items sympathetically.

Quasimodo

Kniazeff is with the Russian Ballet at the Lyceum over the week-end.

Hollywood's Problems

The most complicated problem falls upon Hollywood, and it is largely one of finance. Hollywood has assumed and maintained the leadership of the cinema world because it has been able to attract and control the biggest of big money. Its revenue has come in no small measure from the United Kingdom. In the most favourable years as much as £8,000,000 have gone from Britain to the coffers of the American producing companies. Now it is estimated that in any case this revenue will fall by 35 per cent. or 40 per cent. But the Board of Trade is considering the advisability of holding up the export of so much credit. Even if the British annual quota be no more than £4,000,000 a year, the actual export of credit may be no more than 20 per cent. of that sum.

The balance will remain as frozen credit until the end of the war. In the meanwhile Hollywood will be handicapped in its expenditure to the extent of two or three million pounds a year, a handicap which may make all the difference between launching an expensive picture with a star cast and cutting down costs all round to turn out something much cheaper and, therefore, possibly less attractive in the home market.

Maria Ouspenskaya

How many picture-goers, asked to name the best six actresses in Hollywood would, think of an elderly Russian lady who came from the Moscow Art Theatre fifteen years ago? Yet it is doubtful if Maria Ouspenskaya has a superior as an actress in all the Hollywood galaxy. To her wonderful performances in "Dodsworth," "Marie Walewska" and "Love Affair" she has just added an equally fine performance of the Ranee in "The Rains Came" and is now busy in "Judge Hardy and Son."

Like Nazimova, also from the Moscow Art Theatre, Maria Ouspenskaya has been conducting a dramatic school in New York. Her Hollywood engagements have necessitated frequent aeroplane flights between New York and California. Finding these frequent flights inconvenient, she has transferred her academy to Hollywood, where she will be assisted by Alexander Koiransky and Adolph Bolm who have left New York to be with her. Under Mme Ouspenskaya's guidance the general standard of Hollywood acting should show a marked ascent, for there is nothing the Russian actress does not know about histrionic technique.

"Full Confession"

Pictures dealing with religious themes are ever provacative of controversy. RKO has experienced repercussions from a story published recently concerning "Full Confession." The item discussed the climax of the picture, which deals with the seal of the confessional, which prohibits a priest going to the rescue of an innocent man sentenced to the gallows.

According to rumblings already heard by Robert Sisk, producer of the epic, some Catholic quarters believed that RKO was attempting to slip something over on the church and that only the intervention of Father O. B. Cook prevented an injustice being done, Non-Catholic elements, however, leaped upon the story as meaning that Hollywood is under the domination of the church and that the screen is being used for ecclesiastical propaganda. Neither interpretation, according to Sisk, is accurate. The story as originally written is being filmed and Father Cook's advice was limited to seeing that ritual was observed.

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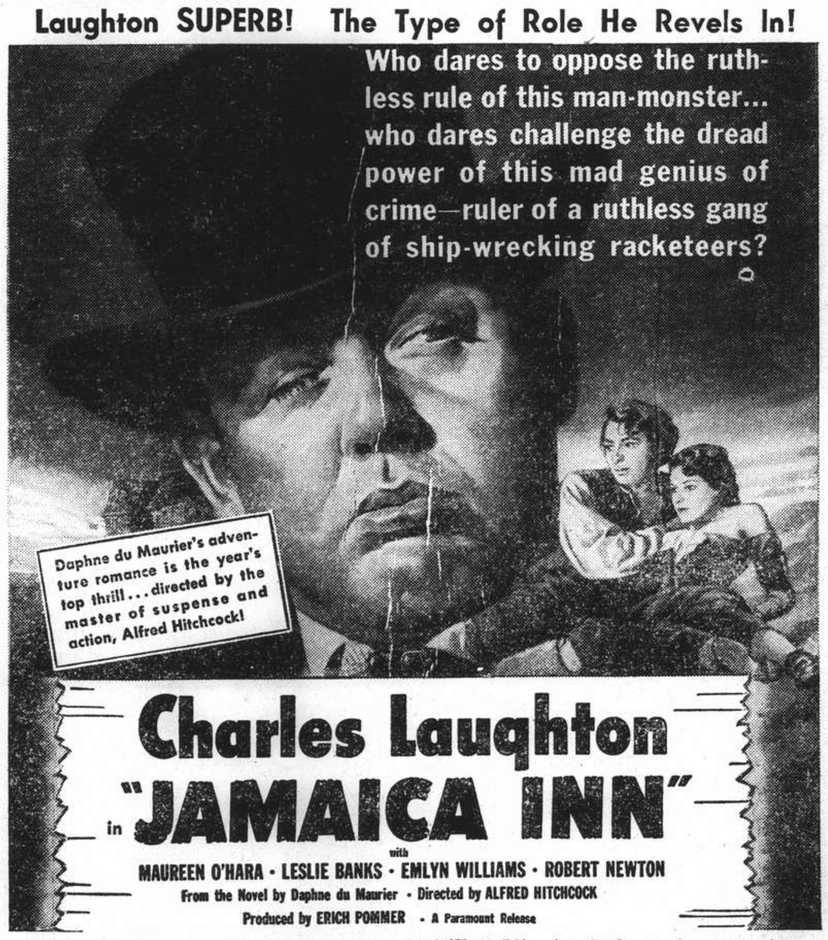

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Seaforths to Meet Marines Again on Saturday

"Leathernecks" To Have Chance for Revenge; Four Rugby Matches for This Week-end

ANOTHER splendid rugby programme has been arranged for the coming week end and at least three of the four matches to be played deserve much attention. Spectators at the Race Course will have the choice of two sparkling matches on Saturday and a similar number the following day. The encounter likely to receive the greatest support from the touch-line, however, is the return duel between the undefeated Seaforth Highlanders and the Fourth United States Marines 1st fifteens. Three weeks ago, it will be remembered, the Scots vanquished the powerful Marine side by eight points to three after one of the hardest games seen in Shanghai for many a long day.

On that day the Scots were the underdogs and few expected them to win, but this coming Saturday they will doubtless be out to prove that their win was no flash in the pan.

It is difficult to predict with the slightest degree of certainty what will happen in their return meeting. If the Highlanders can reproduce their previous form and get their backs moving with any degree of precision they should win, but they will have to fight very, very hard. The Marines have been reinforced by the inclusion of Solloway in the pack and by Postlethwaite and Coffman among the threes and the chances that come their way are not likely to be missed. The Marine forwards will, of course, be far heavier and far fitter, but if Knowles, the doughty Scots' hooker is on his game, the Marines will have a difficult task in putting their outsides in motion. On the other hand, Blondin can be relied upon to see that the Tommies' scrum-half has very few inches to work in. One thing is certain. As an attacking force, the Scots threes are far ahead of their rivals but it is doubtful if their defensive work is quite on the same par. Davies and Rainey in the key-positions of stand-off, should be seen in a kicking duel, but the latter, if his handling is up to its usual high-class standard, should be able to set his backs in motion more often than his opposite number.

"Breaks" Important

The packs of both teams are likely to have more than their full share of the ball, if past performances can be taken as a standard, but whatever happens, the result should be very close indeed, with the team gaining the "breaks" likely to emerge victors.

At 2.30 p.m. the same afternoon, the Club 2nd XV will engage Tung Wen College. Earlier in the season, the Japanese met and were defeated by a Club side, but it is understood that during the past few weeks the collegians have been playing considerably with other Japanese sides in Hongkew Park. They will probably give a good account of themselves, although they will be hard put to it to gain the day. The Club XV is a good one and though not quite up to full strength should be strong enough to defeat their student opponents.

On Sunday at 2.30 p.m. the Police renew acquaintance with the Seaforth second-stringers. The Police, after a slow start, are gradually making an improvement, and ought to be able to take the measure of the Scots. With Hocking and Henchman back in the team once again, a vast difference should be noted in the display of the lawmen and provided their forwards utilize their superior weight to good effect, should gain their first win of the season.

Half-an-hour later on the adjoining pitch, the Club 1st XV will take on the Area Details. This game is in the nature of a trial to permit the civilian players to get together for the initial time this year, this being the first occasion that a 1st XV has been picked. Despite the fact that the Scottish Company of the S.V.C. is in camp this week-end, which precludes three of four of the regular members from being picked, the Club side is indeed a powerful one that should have not the slightest difficulty in overcoming the opposition offered by the Details.

SATURDAY

2.30 p.m. S.R.U.F.C. 2nd XV v. Tung Wen. Referee: R. D. K. Silby.
3 p.m. Seaforths 1st XV v. U.S.M.C. 1st XV. Referee: G. S. Dunkley.

SUNDAY

2.30 p.m. Police v. Seaforths 2nd XV. Referee: E. S. Barraclough.
3 p.m. S.R.U.F.C. 1st XV v. Area Details. Referee: G. D. Nicholl.

CLUB TEAMS

CLUB 1ST XV:—W. N. Dickson; J. W. M. Martin, A. P. D. Kennedy, O. P. Edwards, S. J. Ward; A. Thomas, J. R. Dickinson; W. D. Pearson (captain), G. H. Reynolds, R. A. O. Mayne, J. R. Sayle, P. B. Tay, F. J. Knightly, C. F. Pow and D. J. Boyd.

CLUB 2ND XV:—J. L. R. Mair (captain); K. Okimoto, R. S. L. Frewen, R. G. Sayle, L. S. Tomashevsky; B. R. Brown, B. A. St. Louis; J. W. Chapman, C. H. Hodgman, L. D. M. Beattie, J. R. Harling, G. L. Hinds, J. R. Blaikie, M. O. Liddell and W. V. K. Chadwick.

New Single Mark Established

Cone Bowls High Record Of 150 in Final Series In Second Division

Winning three of the four games bowled yesterday afternoon in the alleys of the Columbia Country Club in the 7-game play-off series for the championship of the Inter-Club Duck Pins "B" Division, the Marine Reds need only one more game from the Marine Whites to put the title in their possession.

The Reds were in excellent form, gaining the first three strings in consecutive order and setting a new team triple record of 1,571. Ski made the highest triple of 341 while Favurly chalked up the best single of 138. Favurly totalled 332. Roles also did fine work with 321.

For the losers, Williams was the pick, netting 322. Cone, who countered 316 in the first three string, establish a new single record in the fourth string with a tally of 150. Moreover, this mark was the best achieved this season even by bowlers of senior standard.

As the play-off calls for seven strings, the remaining ones will be run off either today or tomorrow.

Yesterday's results were:—

MARINE WHITES

Williams	100	109	113	322	96
Childress	87	89	86	262	88
Rozier	98	89	105	292	106
Cone	112	97	97	316	150
Jacobs	93	113	98	304	116
	490	497	499	1,496	556

MARINE REDS

Hansell	109	91	91	291	102
Brown	109	97	—	206	—
Favurly	94	100	138	332	92
Roles	99	107	115	321	122
Ski	112	123	106	341	118
Davis	—	—	80	80	39
	523	518	530	1,571	523

Armstrong to Fight Montanez for Title

New York, Dec. 6.

Henry Armstrong, world welterweight champion, will defend his 147-pound title at Madison Square Garden on January 24 against Pedro Montanez, of Puerto Rico, over fifteen rounds Mike Jacobs announced today. Jacobs also signed Simon Chavez, of Venezuela, and Pete Scalzo for a ten-round bout with the indication that the winner might be matched against Joey Archibald for the world featherweight championship.—United Press.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Red Terror; 2, Princeton.
Also ran:—Wild Wind, Livex, Simple Dale, Boxing Fan.
4 lengths.—Time, 18.44.
Win, $10.60. Forecast (2-1) Div. $60.60.
Place, 1st $7.90; 2nd $12.70.

2—440 yd. flat.—1, Pokerlaw; 2, Mr. Ching.
Also ran:—Dairymaid, Rio Princess, Swallow, Rocket.
2 lengths.—Time, 27.35.
Win, $15.70. Forecast (4-5) Div. $69.60.
Place, 1st $7.60; 2nd $7.90.
Double Event 1/2 (2-4) Div. $17.70.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Cute Vagabond; 2, Cannon Fire.
Also ran:—Royal Rank, Great Regret, Captain Charming, Cute Vanguard.
Short head.—Time, 26.77.
Win, $14.50. Forecast (4-5) Div. $53.90.
Place, 1st $8.20; 2nd $9.10.
Double Event 2/3 (4-4) Div. $21.10.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Dah Chong; 2, Vita Spermin.
Also ran:—Bowster Boy, Sam Holer, Arrow, Performance.
4 lengths.—Time, 31.12.
Win, $28.30. Forecast (6-3) Div. $175.90.
Place, 1st $10.60; 2nd $14.90.
Double Event 3/4 (4-6) Div. $40.60.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Mascot Major; 2, Maskee Lose.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.69.
Win, $18.30. Forecast (6-5) Div. $91.60.
Place, 1st $12.50; 2nd $16.00.
Double Event 4/5 (6-6) Div. $39.60.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Wee Lil; 2, Zayelong.
Also ran:—Pierce Arrow, Brass Hat, Adam's Choice, Gayzeb.
1½ length.—Time, 30.54.
Win, $19.00. Forecast (1-3) Div. $175.80.
Place, 1st $10.50; 2nd $15.20.
Double Event 5/6 (6-1) Div. $39.60.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Young Taigai; 2, Nanette.
Short head.—Time, 30.24.
Win, $37.10. Forecast (2-5) Div. $110.40.
Place, 1st $10.70; 2nd $6.60.
Double Event 6/7 (1-2) Div. $395.20.

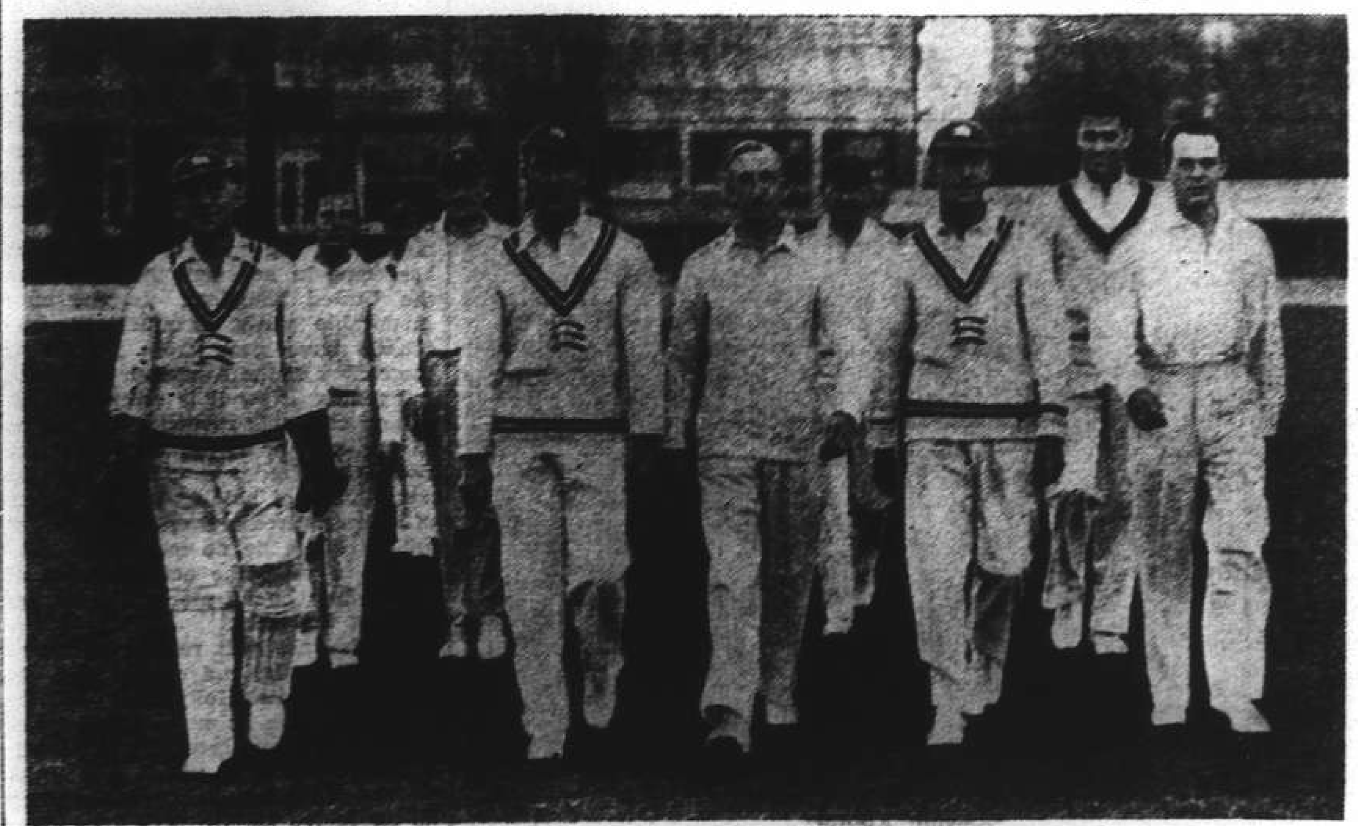
8—500 yd. flat.—1, Woodstock Rose; 2, High Brow.
Short head.—Time, 30.18.
Win, $33.70. Forecast (4-2) Div. $251.00.
Place, 1st $18.00; 2nd $22.20.
Double Event 7/8 (2-4) Div. $209.10.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Rita Dale; 2, Queen O'Jokers.
1 length.—Time, 29.96.
Win, $26.40. Forecast (2-1) Div. $365.00.
Place, 1st $14.20; 2nd $22.00.
Double Event 8/9 (4-2) Div. $132.30.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Campus Flirt; 2, Juliana.
Short head.—Time, 29.99.
Win, $9.90. Forecast (5.3) Div. $63.60.
Place, 1st $10.70; 2nd $6.60.
Double Event 9/10 (2-5) Div. $58.10.

11—500 yd. flat.—1, Don't Forget; 2, Follow Me.
A head.—Time, 29.96.
Win, $19.20. Forecast (4-6) Div. Pride, Beaconsfield, Chez Marcel. $58.00.
Place, 1st $10.20; 2nd $9.40.
Double Event 10/11 (5-4) Div. $20.20.

12—500 yd. flat.—1, Peeress; 2, Rather Nimble.
2 lengths.—Time, 29.57.
Win, $50.00. Forecast (5-6) Div. $319.80.
Place, 1st $27.60; 2nd $17.80.
Double Event 11/12 (4-5) Div. $107.70.



These Are War-Time Police at Lord's

In a cricket match played recently between the War-Time Police and the St. John's Wood Police, the latter scored 76, and the War Reserve, who are seen taking the field, 164 for three. Among them will be recognized J. Thom, L. Compton, Robertson, W. Harrington, D. Compton and Price. Harrington took five wickets for 31.

Record Broken by Swedish Swimmer

Stockholm, Dec. 6.

Borg, the well-known Swedish swimmer yesterday established a new European record for 500 metres free-style, by beating the previous record by one-tenth of a second. Former holder of the record was Jean Taris of France, whose time of 6 minutes, and eleven 2-10 seconds remained unbeaten for seven years.—Havas.

Impressive Basketball Wins For Marines

Cubs Score Victory Over Strong Chinese Five

Fourth Marine Whites vindicated their reputation as the strongest contenders for the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Invitation Basketball League championship when they trounced the Union five last night to the tune of 51 to 27. In another contest the "Y" Cubs inflicted a 37-29 defeat upon Wu Tsing by staging an impressive display.

Pasko was the outstanding man, registering eight field goals. He broke loose time after time in the second half to help the team walk away with the game. Balducci, a reservist who played a little over half of the game, proved his worth by his aggressiveness which earned him four baskets.

MARINE WHITES

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Hughes, lf.	1	0	1	2
Grow, lf.	0	1	2	1
Balducci, rf.	4	0	2	8
Brown, rf.	2	0	4	4
Pasko, rf., c.	8	1	2	17
Koreis, c.	1	0	2	2
Goush, rg.	3	0	2	6
Sargent, lg.	4	1	2	9
Burch, lg.	1	0	0	2
	24	3	17	51

UNIONS

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Tsue, lf.	3	0	0	6
Yen, rf.	3	0	3	6
K. S. Lo, c.	4	3	1	11
Y. K. Tseu, lg.	0	1	2	1
Sung, rg.	1	1	1	3
	11	5	7	27

1st half:—Whites 26, Union 14.
2nd half:—Whites 25, Union 13.

Cubs Win

Paced by Carson, who weaved through the opponents' 5-men zone defence almost regularly in the first half and netted half a dozen goals, the Foreign "Y" Cubs did fine work to overcome Wu Tsing by 37 to 29.

Bernard startled the crowd by heaving a one-hand shot from a difficult angle when the game was barely two minutes old. Lee retaliated but Carson sank a goal to get ahead for the second time. Again the score was deadlocked when Chen netted. Later on, the Chinese took the advantage leading by 8-6. But Carson shot into the limelight with a series of goals and the Cubs snatched a comfortable margin to pull them through.

WU TSING

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
T. T. Lee, lf.	1	1	1	3
H. G. Chen, rf.	2	1	1	5
W. B. Sun, c.	4	2	2	10
C. Chen, lg.	3	0	1	6
W. Wong, rg.	1	1	0	3
Chu, rg.	1	0	1	2
	12	5	6	29

"Y" CUBS

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Dobrenky, lf.	4	1	2	9
Chanturai, rf.	2	0	0	4
Bernard, c.	3	0	1	6
Carson, lg.	7	2	2	16
Krause, rg.	1	0	3	2
	17	3	8	37

1st half:—Woo Tsing 19, Cubs 24.
2nd half:—Woo Tsing 10, Cubs 13.

TRAINING GALLOPS

ON a fast track in fine weather yesterday morning, many local race ponies went through their training gallops in preparation for Saturday's meeting and perhaps the New Year's meeting. All gallops were done on the inside course and the times recorded were as follows.

(1ST CLASS PONIES)

	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	1m.	1¼m.	Last ¼
Bober, Boy	—	—	1.47	2.19.3		32.3
Corps Cavalry, Boy	27	—	1.45	2.17		32
Don Pedro, Boy	37	1.12.3	1.47.3	2.20.3		31.2
Flyinglight, Boy	39	—	1.47.3	2.18		30.2
Frostylight, Boy	39	—	1.47.3	2.18		30.2
Joylight, Boy	—	—	1.44	2.16		32
Little Joe, Boy	—	—	1.49.2	2.21		31.3
Mou Tan Hua, Boy	37	—	1.45.2	2.17		31.3
The Frigate, Feeney	38.3	1.14.2	1.48.3	2.20.3		32

(2ND CLASS PONIES)

	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	1m.	1¼m.	Last ¼
Beautylight, S. Y. Sung	36.3	—	1.42.3	2.16.3		34
China Clipper, S. Y. Sung	46.3	1.22	2.04	2.36	3.09	33
Colorado Kid, Robertson	38	—	—	2.23	2.56	33
Crispylight, Boy	—	—	1.44	2.18		34
Ebonylight, Boy	—	—	1.45	2.17		32
Glen Raider, Gram	40	1.17.2	1.52	2.23		31
Hangchow, Boy	—	—	1.46	2.18.2		32.2
Flying High, Boy	37	—	—	2.22	2.55.3	33.3
Mightylight, Boy	43	—	2.00	2.33		33
Off Chance, Boy	39	1.16	1.49.3	2.21.3		32
Port St. Mary, A. Noodt	—	—	1.56.2	2.29.3		33
Sammy, Boy	—	—	1.52	2.22.3		31.3
The Swan, Boy	38	1.14.3	1.48.3	2.20.3		32
Un-Un-Un, Boy	36.3	1.12.3	1.47.3	2.20.3	2.52	31.2
Wet Morn, Boy	35.2	1.10.2	1.42.4	2.16		32.1

(3RD CLASS PONIES)

	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	1m.	1¼m.	Last ¼
Blenheim, Boy	—	—	1.53	2.26.3		33.3
Hawaii Clipper, S. Y. Sung	36.3	—	1.41.3	2.17		35.2
Levenvale, Kermode	47	1.19.2	1.50	2.24	2.56.2	34
Little Pal, Feeney	36	—	1.45	2.17.3		32.3
Pearlylight, Boy	—	—	1.44	2.18		34
Ideal King	—	—	1.44	2.17.3		33.2
Sandy, Boy	—	—	1.53	2.27		34
Spotted Sani, P. Y. Vong	41	1.20	1.56	2.30.3	3.03	32.3
Stolzenfels, H. Huang	—	—	1.52	2.24.3		32.3

(GRIFFINS & SUB-GRIFFINS OF 1939)

	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	1m.	1¼m.	Last ¼
Neptune, Boy	—	—	1.54	2.25.3		31.3
Grumpy, Renner	—	—	1.48.3	2.23		34.2
Doc, Boy	33	—	—	2.25	2.56	31
Paris Sport, Boy	—	—	1.53	2.26		33
Fairylight, Boy	—	—	1.44	2.16		32
Citylight, Boy	—	—	1.45	2.17		32
Dazara, Boy	—	—	1.50.2	2.21.2		31
Hill Song, Haimovitch	—	—	1.52.3	2.25		32.2
Prince Charles, Boy	—	—	1.45	2.19		34
Primroseray, A. Noodt	38.3	—	—	2.24	2.56.2	32.2
Chengtu, H. Huang	—	—	1.44	2.17.2		33.2
Vim, Gram	36.3	1.13.3	1.48.3	2.18		29.2
Vigour, P. Y. Vong	39	1.15	1.49.3	2.21		31.2
Happy Fighter, Gram	40	1.19.3	1.55.3	2.30.2	3.03.2	33
Wonderful Rush, T. Y. Tung	38	1.15	1.50	2.22		32
Runcorn, Boy	36	1.10	1.43.2			33.2
Red Ike, Boy	38	—	1.49	2.21		32
Grey Pearl, Boy	—	—	1.49	2.22		33
Nearco, Boy	—	—	1.50.3	2.21.3		31
Fruitylight, Boy	37	—	1.45	2.17		32

United Hockey Club Teams Selected

The following players have been selected to represent the Shanghai United Hockey Club in friendly games during the week-end:—

United "A" (v. United "B," Saturday, 3 p.m., R.G. 6):—J. P. Jones; S. A. Collaco, K. M. Pate; J. L. Berglof, L. Oliveira, C. G. van der Voort; R. C. Murray, S. P. Karanjia, F. R. Kermani, H. Waldman, H. Bojesen. Reserve:—Willis.

United "B" (v. United "A," Saturday, 3 p.m., R.G. 6):—W. Wolff; Alex Yourieff, J. Ladd; H. Cohn, P. R. Kermani, S. T. Berglof; E. A. H. Weidman, J. Hetherington, E. V. Chanturai, A. G. Yourieff, Canavarro. Reserves:—S. Wilde, J. Gilchrist.

United "C" (v. Sikh Police, Sunday, 3.30 p.m. R.G. 7):—D. M. Shoolingin; J. Singer, N. M. Shoolingin; D. Crook, S. Wilde, Willis; J. Gilchrist, Brian Smith, H. H. Lawrence, R. Watson, E. Viccajee. Reserves:—G. A. Roza, E. J. Harvey, R. V. Crank, V. Spitzin.

Jewish Soccer Players To Gather Today

The initial practice for local Jewish soccer players wishing to participate for Palestine in this year's International Cup soccer series, will be held at Abraham's Field, Weihaiwei Road, at 5.30 p.m. Today's training meet is considered compulsory, as a full programme for future training periods and practice games will be announced following the meeting.

Final Test For Rose Bowl

U.S.C. to Meet U.C.L.A. For Right to Represent West Coast

Los Angeles, Dec. 6.

The University of South California and the University of California at Los Angeles will clash here Saturday to decide who goes to the Pasadena Rose Bowl to play the pick of the eastern teams on New Year's Day.

The eastern opponent is still in doubt. Tennessee and Texas A. and M., leading candidates for the invitation, may clash in Texas in the New Year's Day Cotton Bowl game, presenting Rose Bowl authorities with a problem as to who to pick.

Big Guarantee

Reports from Dallas, Texas, said that the University of Tennessee will accept the invitation to play in the Cotton Bowl if Texas A. and M. will agree to play them.

Cotton Bowl authorities were reported by reliable sources as having offered Tennessee an U.S.$85,000 guarantee.

Officials of Duquesne University waited for an official invitation to play in the Sun Bowl at El Paso, Texas, on New Year's Day, Pittsburgh reports said.

Duquesne will probably meet Arizona State.—United Press.

High Gun Honours Go To Lieut. Celis

Philippine Coy., S.V.C. Hold Another Shoot

The December Rifle Shoot of the Philippine Company, S.V.C., was held at the Long Range today with Lieut. A. Y. Celis capturing high gun honours with a score of 109 out of a total of 120 points, this being his second consecutive win this season. Private R. B. Dizon was winner of the competition with an aggregate score of 116 points, which included an allowance of 30 points.

	Score	Allowance	Total
Lieut. A. Y. Celis	109	0	109 (b)
Pte. A. Ronquillo	94	12	106
Pte. P. C. Mercado	93	0	93
Pte. R. B. Dizon	86	30	116 (a)
1st Sgt. S. B. Mendoza	84	18	102
Cpl. L. Digmanese	82	18	100
Pte. T. Antonio	77	18	95
Pte. R. Nano	71	30	101
Pte. C. G. Amper	67	0	67
Pte. J. Mendoza	57	30	87
Pte. V. Clara	36	30	66

(a) 1st leg and spoon. Future allowance 15 per cent.
(b) High Gun and Second Place-Spoon. H.P.S. 120.

Police Soccer Teams For Week-end

The S.M. Police first division football team against the S.F.X. on Sunday at the Race Course will comprise:

W. Ward, E. Victal, J. Shute, W. G. Westwood, F. W. Mader, P. Duffy, H. K. Stangaard, P. McAloon, T. H. Crook, R. Roliz, C. Chooklantzeff. Reserves.—Rimmer, Wellings.

In a reserve division match at Kiaochow Park against the Seaforths, the Police on Saturday will comprise: D. W. Crank, J. Lovell, G. E. Clarke, R. Robinson, R. Rimmer, G. B. Blackley, B. J. Bulpin, C. Wellings, C. Williams, F. Margison, and W. Biggs. Reserves.—A. Macgregor, A. Jack.

Dempsey Prescribes Cure For Boxing

San Francisco, Dec. 6.

Jack Dempsey, en route by Clipper plane to Manila to referee the middleweight fight between Ceferino Garcia and Glen Lee on December 16, stopped here long enough yesterday to laud the late Tex Rickard. "What the fight game needs to lift it out of its doldrums is another Tex Rickard," he said.—United Press.

Recs' Football Team To Meet Lido

The Shanghai Recreation Club has selected the following team to meet Lido in the first division football match to be played at the Canidrome on Sunday.

Neusasticoff, Mingozzi, Senichenko, Jack, Bulldeath, Lee, Favacho, Symons, Kapustin, Madar, and Aldeguer. Reserves:—Katz, Oppenheim, England and Baker.

1940 Grand National to Be Run at Aintree

London, Dec. 6.

The Grand National will be run at Aintree in 1940, it is announced here.—Reuter.

Derringer, Durocher Sign With Reds Again

Great Pitcher to Twirl For Cincinnati

Cincinnati, Dec. 6.

Paul Derringer, star pitcher, yesterday signed a contract with the Cincinnati Reds National League pennant winners for 1940, it was announced today. Larry McPhail, Executive Vice-President of the Brooklyn Dodgers, announced in New York yesterday that he had reached an agreement under which Leo Durocher would manage the Dodgers again in 1940. He did not disclose the salary, but baseball experts estimated it to be $25,000.—United Press.

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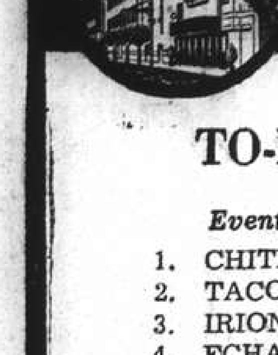

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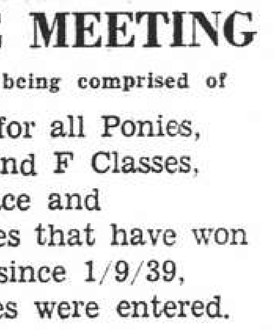
6. ICHASO	6. ENRIQUE



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Carnival	13.1	155	160	Merry Jester	13.1	155	159
Clunieburn	13.2	158	151	Newcastle	13.2	158	154
Danbury	13.0	152	147	Slow Motion	13.1	155	146
Fairylight	13.2	158	160	Vim	13.1	155	152
Flyinglight	13.2	158	154				

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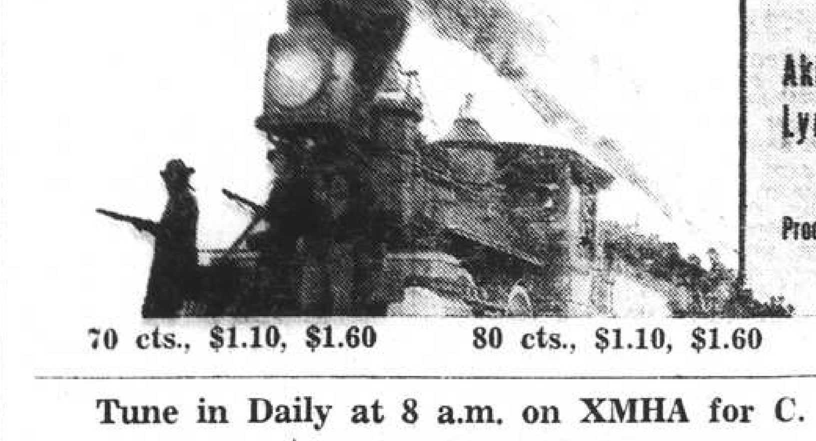

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Japanese Ready to Meet New Offensive By Chinese

Preparations For Winter Attack Said Complete; Toll of Air Raids Over Seven Months Compiled

Peiping, Dec. 6.

JAPANESE forces had completed preparations to deal crushing blows to Chinese troops which started what they call a "winter offensive" in southern Shansi, according to field reports reaching the Japanese headquarters here.

Chinese divisions under Gen. Wei Li-huang, Commander-in-Chief of the first war zone, were taking positions for an attempted drive toward southern Shansi, sectors along the southernmost part of the Tatung-Puchow Railroad, lowlands around Luan, and the eastern part of Honan.

Forces under Gen. Sun Tung-hsuan and Gen. Ho Chu-kuo have crossed the new Yellow River. The 71st Army which includes some Central troops crossed the Chungchiao Mountains and reached a line linking Tsehchow and Kaoping.

Troops under Gen. Yen Hsi-shan were concentrating in the vicinities of Yicheng and Fencheng at the southern end of the Tatung-Puchow Railway.

Japanese officers pointed out that the Chinese command had "learned no lesson" from previous reverses in so-called offensives of April, July and September.—Domei.

Concentrations Bombed

Japanese naval air units bombed and machine-gunned Chinese concentrations between Pingyang and Patang in Kwangsi province on Monday, the Japanese China Seas Fleet command announced yesterday.

One Japanese plane was shot down during the operations, the communiqué said.

Another Japanese naval air unit raided troops concentrated in the Henghsien and Watlam sections in southern Kwangsi province and east of Luichow in central Kwangsi province, the announcement said.

20,000 Killed in Air Raids

Chungking, Dec. 6.

Forty thousand Chinese civilian casualties, including 20,000 persons killed, are the result of Japanese air raids in 16 Chinese provinces during the seven months between January and July of this year, according to figures just released by the Chinese Aeronautical Affairs Commission.

During the period, it is stated, Japanese aircraft made 1,276 raids and dropped 32,000 bombs.

A total of 64,000 houses are said to have been destroyed, 6,000 others damaged, 380 junks blown to bits and 95 motor-cars wrecked.

The heaviest casualties occurred in the month of May, as a result of Japanese bombings of Chungking on May 3 and 4. It is estimated 14,000 people were killed and wounded in May.

According to a report of the Chinese National Relief Commission, casualties in the bombing of Chungking on May 4 alone with 4,572 persons killed and 3,637 wounded. Houses destroyed in the capital on May 3 totalled 900, while on the following day nearly 1,000 houses were demolished by bombing.

Kwangtung is said to be the most severely bombed of all the provinces. During the seven-month period it suffered 311 raids.—Domei.

Farewell Presentations To Insp. B. B. Everest

Departing Police Officer Honoured by Colleagues

A triple farewell presentation was made to Inspector Bertram B. Everest, of the Shanghai Municipal Police, at the Chengtu Road Police Station yesterday evening. Inspector Everest leaves the force tomorrow after nearly seventeen years' service. With Mrs. Everest, he is due to go to Australia and New Zealand and thence to England, leaving Shanghai at the middle of this month.

Mr. H. D. M. Robertson, Assistant Commissioner of Police and Divisional Officer of "A" Division, made the presentation on behalf of the large gathering present. He pointed to the departing police officer's long and efficient service in the detective and uniformed branches, latterly as officer in charge of the Chengtu Road Station, and wished Mr. and Mrs. Everest all happiness at Home. Inspector Everest responded suitably.

The gifts presented were a silver cocktail set, from the force in general, an inscribed silver cigarette box from the Chengtu Road Station staff, and a framed picture from the Chinese inspectors and sub-inspectors. Previously a handsome presentation had been made by the Chinese staff of the Special Branch of the S.M.P.

Present yesterday evening were Superintendents J. Mason, V. Sharman, D. B. Ross and A. H. Chamberlain, Chief Inspectors A. Telfer and A. J. Toon, Inspectors C. White, T. Hill, E. J. Lees and J. C. Dickson and many others. Inspector Lees will succeed Mr. Everest as officer in charge of the Chengtu Road Station.

Work in Political Branch

Inspector Everest, who saw war service in the R.N.V.R., joined the force in January, 1923, from England, and was quickly promoted through the grades of sergeant (September, 1924) and sub-inspector (May, 1929) to inspector (November, 1933). From 1930 to 1936 he was attached to the Special Branch, dealing mostly with Chinese political cases, including communist activities. In 1936 he received a Chinese decoration in token of appreciation of his work in suppressing Chinese reds in Shanghai. In connection with services in the political and labour fields, Inspector Everest has been commended ten times by the Commissioner of Police. In one instance a special commendation was given in consequence of investigations into industrial conditions in the western district prior to the 1937 hostilities.

The Police Distinguished Service Medal, Class II, was conferred upon Inspector Everest in July, 1938, in connection with a major shooting affray in the Chengtu Road Police District. On March 24, 1938, a police party from the Chengtu Road Station led by Inspector Everest surrounded a gang of armed bandits in a Chinese house in Avenue Edward VII, near Mohawk Road, and "shot it out" with the desperadoes. Mr. Everest was assisted by Inspector S. V. Gash, Detective-Sergeant J. W. M. Dickson, Sergeant D. Johnstone, Sergeant O. C. Goldsmith and Chinese detectives. The result of an exchange of shots was the killing of one of the robbers and the wounding of three others and a suspect.

Subsequently the D.C.M. was awarded to Inspectors Everest and Gash, Detective-Sergeant Dickson, Sergeant Johnstone, C.D.S. 192 and C.D.C. 254.

Malaria Expert Leaves Yunnan Province

Dr. R. C. Robertson Accepts Post in Hongkong

Chungking, Dec. 5.

Dr. R. Cecil Robertson, League of Nations epidemic commissioner, yesterday left Yunnan to take up his appointment as professor of pathology at Hongkong University.

Dr. Robertson's departure ends the distinguished British medical service rendered through the League of Nations Epidemic Commission on the Yunnan-Burma border. The Commission's work was chiefly directed to the control of epidemic malaria on the Yunnan-Burma highway.

A great deal of useful data concerning malariology has been accumulated, making possible and greatly facilitating the work of the group of American official health experts, headed by Dr. Williams, now in Kunming.

Dr. Robertson's work is greatly appreciated by the Chinese Goverment. —Reuter.

Constable Reports His Pistol Taken By Gang

Reserve Unit Turns Out To Chungking Road

A gang of five Chinese pounced upon a Chinese police constable attached to the Chengtu Road Station, while he was walking in Chungking Road, near Weihaiwei Road, at 7.45 o'clock last night and robbed him of his service pistol containing six rounds of ammunition. The C.P.C. reported the robbery to his station, Chengtu Road, a few minutes afterwards, saying that one of the bandits threatened him with a pistol.

The S.M.P. Reserve Unit was turned out shortly after the report had been made and conducted a thorough search of the immediate vicinity, questioning a number of persons but arresting no one. The pistol was still missing at a late hour last night.

P. I. Governors to Aid High Commissioner

Mr. Sayre Begins Tour of Provinces

Manila, Dec. 6.

President Manuel Quezon, following a long interview with the United States High Commissioner for the Philippines, Mr. Francis B. Sayre, yesterday ordered the governors of all provinces and the mayors of all cities to prepare for Mr. Sayre's impending visit. The President also asked the governors and mayors to give the High Commissioner all the assistance he needed.

The mayors of Zamboanga and Davao, as well as the governors of Davao, Bukidnon, Zamboanga and Cotabato, who have been in Manila for a convention, were to leave today for home to prepare to receive Mr. Sayre.

Mr. Sayre, who left here last night, was accompanied by Mr. Ed Hester, assistant financial expert in the High Commissioner's staff, and also by Mr. George Gray, Private Secretary to Mr. Sayre, Lieut.-Commander Charles B. McVay, Naval Aide, and Mr. J. M. Crawford, executive of the Philippine Packing Corporation.

The High Commissioner expects to return to Manila on December 15.—United Press.

U.S. Cotton Subsidy Payment Cut by Half

Reduction Seen as Effort To Prolong Programme

New York, Dec. 5.

The rate of the Government Export Subsidy Payment for cotton will be reduced by half, effective from midnight tonight, according to an announcement made today by Mr. Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture.

The rate will be ¾ of a cent per pound instead of 1½ cents per pound as previously. It is reported that subsidies at the higher rate thus far have covered 4,344,000 bales, requiring an expenditure of more than $30,000,000.

The reduction is seen as an effort to prolong the programme, as Congress had supplied only $36,000,000. —Reuter.

Reich Envoy in Tokyo Congratulates Finns

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

Major-Gen. Eugen Ott, German Ambassador to Japan, was the first foreign diplomat to congratulate Mr. Karl Gustav Idmann, Finnish Minister to Japan, on the occassion of the 22nd anniversary of Finnish independence, the "Yomiuri Shimbun" reported this evening.

The Finnish community in Tokyo consists of 12 persons.

The Spanish, Iranese, Peruvian, and Belgian diplomatic representatives to Japan were among those who expressed their congratulations.—Domei.

President Roosevelt Signs "Cash-and-Carry" Bill

Scene at the White House, Washington, when President Roosevelt signed the new "cash-and-carry" bill automatically lifting the arms embargo. Left to right: Messrs. A. A. Berle, of the State Department; Senator Key Pittman, of Nevada; Rep. Sol Bloom of New York; Speaker William B. Bankhead of the House of Representatives; Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State; Vice-President Garner; Senator Charles L. McNary, of Oregon; and Senator Alben Barkley, of Kentucky.

Shanghai French Women Thanked

Col. Perretier, Now on Western Front, Voices Appreciation for Gifts

Since the outbreak of the present war in Europe hundreds of letters have been received by the Association of French Women in Shanghai, members of which organization are knitting various articles of clothing for soldiers of the Allied Forces in France, thanking them for their contribution towards the comfort and well-being of the men in the front line. Among these letters is one from Lieut. Col. L. Perretier, whom Shanghailanders will remember as Commander of the French Garrison in Shanghai this year.

Now serving somewhere on the Western front, Col. Perretier has addressed his letter to the Shanghai French Ladies Association. He states: "I duly received your kind letter of September 18 which found me somewhere at the front; I thank you sincerely for it. And, as I recognize your charitable spirit in all that you tell me, we call down all blessings in advance on the ladies of Shanghai, for we are certain that they will not forget us.

"Though we have all that is necessary, we miss the superfluous, as the saying goes, and the superfluous can be enumerated here as follows: pullovers, mufflers, gloves, warm socks, etc. We do not wish to take too great advantage of your kindness but, as you offer them so heartily, we shall gladly accept such samples as you may, from time to time, be able to send us of your patriotic labours.

"On les Aura!"

"You know well that colonials always feel the cold of these northern climates, rich, in winter, in mud and damp. My regiment contains not a few soldiers who were with me in Shanghai. They shall be the first to profit by your gifts and we shall not fail to tell the happy beneficiaries that far, far away, in the land of yellow men, a small band of French colonials and their friends are thinking of them and working for their comfort.

"Thank you again, and please give our thanks to those around you. We are working very hard here, the mud is deep but our spirit excellent and this time I promise On les aura." The letter is signed—"L. Perretier, Commanding the 12th Senegalese."

The tone of the above letter written by one so well-known to Shanghailanders, cannot fail to appeal to the people of this city and those who have not done so are requested to offer their help to the Association of French Women, the Vice-President of which is Mme. Jourdan. Donations towards the wool fund, knitted articles, wool and offers to help will be gratefully received by Mme. Jourdan at 753-23 Avenue Haig.

Comfort Bags Sent to Japanese Troops

Tokyo Expects Men Will Be Long Time in China

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

The military relief section of the Ministry of War forwarded 1,360,000 "comfort bags" to soldiers at the front.

Value of the comfort bags was Y.1,360,000. Lieut-Colonel Mamoru Kawakami, of the relief department, stated that as compared with the outset of the China conflict the Japanese lines extended over all China. The number of comfort bags had not decreased, he said. They are sent from all parts of Japan and from Japanese abroad.

As the hostilities are prolonged there will be many units stationed a long time in one place, he pointed out. Radio sets, sporting goods for tennis or baseball, and film projectors are being sent to the troops.—Domei.

Record Snowfall in North Japan

Train and Ferry Schedules Disorganized

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

Snowfall in Aomori Prefecture on Monday morning broke a 50-year record as drifts piled up to a depth of three feet.

A blizzard raging through northern Japan delayed ferry boats coming to Aomori City from Hakodate in the Hokkaido. All trains connecting with the Hokkaido ferries also were delayed more than an hour.

Train and boat schedules in the north were seriously upset by heavy snowfall.—Domei.

New Japanese Tax Plan Announced

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

Green tea, soap, dental paste, potted dwarf trees, pet animals, ivory, cloisonné and amber articles, and cakes of superior quality will be taxed under a new plan made public by the Finance Ministry.

The new schedule will bring an annual increase in national revenue of Y.510,000,000 if it is enforced during the next fiscal year after approval is given in the 75th Diet. The average earned income taxpayer will pay under the new system six per cent. of his annual income minus Y.600. The sum of Y.12 will be deducted for each person supported.—Domei.

Japanese Colonization Scheme Expensive

Heavy Cost of Settling In Manchoukuo

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

Expenditures for colonization of Manchoukuo, included in the new enterprise estimates of the Ministry of Overseas Affairs, totalled Y.35,000,000 an increase of Y.10,000,000 over the sum for the present year.

Approval of the amount was granted by the Ministry of Finance yesterday following consultations between officials of the two Ministries.

The Ministry of Overseas Affairs is planning to expand several enterprises next year on the basis of a report from the Manchoukuo Colonial Investigation Commission.

The number of families of group settlers next year will be 20,200, compared to 11,000 this year. This increased number reflects the first steps toward carrying out a plan to have more than 1,000,000 emigrants settled in Manchoukuo in 20 years.

The number of members of the Young Volunteers' Corps for next year will be 30,000, the same as the total for this year.—Domei.

British Ships Being Requisitioned

Food Ministry Imports to Be Made Regular

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

With a view to ensuring the regular importation of cereals by the North Atlantic route, the Minister of Shipping, Sir John Gilmour, is requisitioning British ships for cargoes bought by the Ministry of Food.

Requisitioning may be extended for the conveyance of other essential Government cargo.

Sir John Gilmour announced the measure in the House of Commons yesterday.—Reuter.

Mayor Fu Protests Over Incident

British Soldiers Said to Have Assaulted Special Municipality Policeman

On behalf Mr. Fu Siao-en, Mayor of the Shanghai Special Municipality," a protest was lodged with Sir Herbert Phillips, H.M. Consul-General, on Tuesday against an alleged attack by British soldiers upon a "Special Municipality" policeman on Great Western Road on Sunday.

No action will be taken by the British authorities until a full report of the incident and events which followed it when a British soldier and British civilian were forcibly removed from a restaurant and detained for about three hours, has been received. At present the matter is still under investigation.

According to the "Special Municipality" protest, Constable Kuo Wen was attacked by four British soldiers on Sunday evening on Great Western Road. He was struck on the head with the side of a bayonet and received a wound which required treatment in a hospital, it was alleged.

According to a Japanese report, it was stated that Major S. R. Hunt, British Liaison Officer with the Japanese Forces, had called at the Western District Police Station of the Shanghai "Special Municipality" and had tendered apologies for the incident. This was denied by a British Consular official.

Japanese Army Official Leaving for Tokyo

Major Nishihara, former official Japanese army spokesman in Shanghai, who is leaving for Tokyo tomorrow, said goodbye to the correspondents at the press conference yesterday evening. Major Nishihara introduced his successor, Colonel Saito, who arrived in Shanghai yesterday afternoon. Colonel Saito told the assembled newsmen that he hoped he could be of service to them.

Following the conference, Mr. Hallett Abend of the "New York Times" was host to a gathering which included Rear-Admiral W. A. Glassford, Commander of the Yangtze Patrol, the Japanese spokesmen, marine officers and correspondents.

Commons Question On Tin Quota

Heavy Demand in U.S. Stressed; Removal of Restrictions Urged

London, Dec. 5.

The tin quota was the subject of questions in the House of Commons today. Mr. R. R. Stokes, Labour Member for Ipswich, asked whether the President of the Board of Trade was aware that the United States demand for tin equals the maximum unrestricted production of British Malaya, and whether, as under the International Control Agreement, any signatory may apply for permission to increase production beyond the agreed quota.

Mr. Stokes also asked the President of the Board of Trade to explain why this application had not been made in view of the representations by consumers in the United States. He further asked whether, with a view to benefiting British industry and the dollar exchange position, the President would consider removing the restriction on production and decontrolling the price so that it would assume its normal level. Mr. Stokes inquired whether the Netherlands had been consulted before the maximum price limit was fixed for all tin smelted in the United Kingdom and Malaya.

Market Needs Met

Replying, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary for the Colonies, said he was satisfied the International Tin Restriction Committee were doing what was necessary to meet the real requirements of the market, and that it would not be in the interests of the producers in the Colonial Dependencies to take the action advocated.

No such request had been made either by the Malayan or the Nigerian Governments, the Colonial Secretary added. The question of price control was under the Government's constant consideration, Mr. MacDonald continued, while the Netherlands' representatives on the International Tin Committee had been kept informed before the maximum price limit had been fixed for all the tin smelted in the United Kingdom and Malaya.

Mr. Stokes asked if the Minister would consider it advantageous that tin should be sold at £236 per ton fixed from Malaya, bought by foreign intermediaries and resold to the United States for £350.

Mr. MacDonald replied that this matter was under constant consideration, and that it was never intended that the fixing of prices should necessarily be permanent.

Mr. Stokes: "Does he (the President of the Board of Trade) propose to do anything about it?"

Mr. MacDonald: "It would be foolish to announce any intention beforehand."—Reuter.

DEAL boatmen have brought ashore 1,000 cases of tea from the 7,000 tons British steamer Mahratta, which stranded on the Goodwins on October 7. Each case contains about 135lb. of tea, mostly Indian Pekoe, which retails at about 4s. 6d. a lb. The ship is moving in the quicksands and might at any time overturn and trap the men in her hold.

Gambling Den Closed After Shooting Row

Japanese Patrons Involved In Yu Yuen Road Brawl

As an aftermath of the publicity, if not the shooting, in connection with a gambling row at the former Welton Cabaret, off Yu Yuen Road opposite Jessfield Park, the badlands authorities have now closed the gambling house.

Japanese Gendarmes fired shots in the air at the den on Sunday afternoon after they had been summoned by three Japanese patrons who said they had lost several hundred dollars over the gaming tables. The losers had protested to the management, whose only action was to summon some of the armed toughs employed as "guards." Bloodshed was averted, although almost everybody concerned in the affair was armed.

The latest development was the closing of the den yesterday by the office which licenses and attempts to control gambling hells in the turbulent west.

Commissions in Burma

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Rangoon, Dec. 5.

In a "Gazette Extraordinary" the Governor has empowered the issue of commissions, not only for land forces but also for naval and air forces that may be raised in Burma. —Reuter.

British Production of Munitions Doubled

Six Months Effort Brings Exceptional Output

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 5.

It is officially stated here that the production of munitions of all sorts in the United Kingdom has been doubled in the past six months. Plans have now been executed which will double this new output during the coming six months. Thus, at the end of twelve months, the initial output will have been quadrupled.

Government munition factories are now six times the number compared to two years ago, and in the next year, will be eight times the original number. One Government factory produced its first gun in just over a year from the commencement date of the building of the factory, which is typical of the rapidity of production of which the country is capable. —Reuter.

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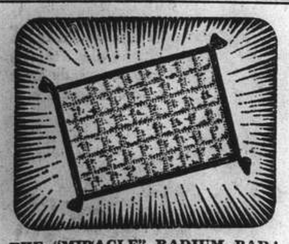

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MARRIAGE

OAKLEY—EARLE.—On Tuesday, December 5, 1939, at the Parish Church, Walthamstow, Essex, BARBARA MARY, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Earle, Shanghai, to DOUGLAS EDWARD OAKLEY, M.B., B.Ch. (Cantab.), second son of Canon and Mrs. Oakley, The Vicarage, Walthamstow. (By cable—Hongkong papers please copy.) -9194

IN MEMORIAM

FEDOROVITCH.—In affectionate memory of my dear husband, ADMIRAL FEDOROVITCH, and our loving father, who died on December 7, 1936, Mrs. Natalie Fedorovitch, Mrs. C. S. Hirsh, Mrs. K. M. Kunin and Tamara. A Mass will be held today at 5.30 p.m. in St. Nicholas Church, to which friends are welcome. 12799

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LORD HALIFAX'S SPEECH

There are two very important points in Lord Halifax's speech in the House of Lords on Tuesday, in the course of which he dealt with Allied war and peace aims, Soviet aggression against Finland, and the protests of the neutral nations against the Allied blockade of German exports. The first of the two is the definition of war and peace aims, and the second is the revelation that Anglo-French-Russian negotiations prior to August of this year broke down because the Allies would not agree to formulæ permitting of all that Russia has now done and may be contemplating. On the subject of the war aims Lord Halifax is explicit enough without indulging in hard and fast definitions at a time when it is much too early to do so. It is sufficient that they should be defined in general terms, and as he has set them forth he informs the world at large that the Allies are fighting for just those things which the democracies hold dear, and which men like Herr Hitler and M. Stalin profess to despise. The general purpose for which the Allies have taken up war is perfectly clear. They desire that the peoples who have been deprived of their independence should recover their liberty; they desire to safeguard their own freedom and security, seeking no aggrandisement, nor to redraw the map of the world in their own interest. Still less are they imbued with any spirit of vengeance, though Lord Halifax very rightly pointed out the increasing difficulty of maintaining that attitude in the hearts of the Allied peoples as the war progresses. It is not the fact of war which may in the long run bring about a desire for vengeance, which does not at present exist, but the manner in which it is being prosecuted, and if the manner in which the Reich is pursuing the war does eventually bring about a change of heart it would be no matter for surprise. It remains for Germany to restore the confidence which Herr Hitler has destroyed. Once that is done then it will be possible to reach a settlement which will enable her to take her rightful place amongst the nations of Europe, in an international order in which all people will be able to determine their political and economic life, free from the interference of their powerful neighbours.

It needs but a very superficial glance round Europe to realize what the Allied Governments have in mind. The world has witnessed the anschluss of Austria, the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia, the partition of Poland by Germany and Russia, and the subjugation,—peacefully, it is true, because they were in no position to resist,—of Lithuania, Latvia and Esthonia, by the Soviet and finally the brutal invasion of Finland by the Red armies of the Kremlin. There can be no hiding the fact that not one small nation in Europe can count itself secure so long as men such as Herr Hitler and M. Stalin are permitted to wreak injustices on smaller and less powerful nations. So long as the law of the jungle, the rule of the tooth and claw is allowed to hold sway, so long must the small neutrals of Europe fear for their very existences, for no system of international justice can possibly be based on a foundation of lying, hypocrisy and perfidy, and as long as the principles of international justice are denied by the possessors of considerable strength there can be nothing but insecurity and instability throughout Europe. There is left consideration of what is in reality the most significant passage in Lord Halifax's speech:—

> We have tried to improve our relations with Russia, but always maintained the position that the rights of third parties must remain intact and be unaffected by our negotiations.
>
> I think that events have shown that the judgment and instinct of the British Government in refusing an agreement with the Soviet Government in terms of formulæ covering cases of indirect aggression on the Baltic States were right.
>
> It is now plain that these formulæ might well have been the cloak for ultimate designs, and I have little doubt that the British people would prefer to face difficulties rather than feel that we had compromised the honour of the British Commonwealth on such an issue.

If, as it is suggested, the price of an understanding with Russia was the acceptance of arrangements whereby the Allies would consent to what Russia has already done and is doing in the Baltic countries, it is not surprising that the conversations at Moscow came to nothing, nor that Moscow went shopping simultaneously in Berlin.

This was no occasion for Great Britain and France to play the parts of Judases, it was a role for which previous performances clearly demonstrated Herr Hitler was more than fit, and the readiness with which he accepted it is, in the circumstances, eloquent in the extreme. Had the Allies consented to pay the price which M. Stalin demanded, Germany would indeed have been encircled so far as east Europe is concerned with a ring of hostility. That country even now is likely to find herself in the same state before very many years have passed, for while Herr Hitler has yielded to Russia before the press of circumstances,—and those circumstances of his own creation,—it is unlikely that he can witness the rising dominance of Russia in the Baltic and the reduction of that sea to the status of a Russian lake without a realization that sooner or later, Germany, if it wishes to exist, must eventually resist. That German military, and naval quarters apparently fully understand. Hence the disunion reported from Berlin. They see in Russian manœuvres in Scandinavia, the Baltic and south-eastern Europe the assumption of the role of paramount influence which they have come to regard as traditionally their own. The Allies, it is clear from Lord Halifax's statement, were offered terms probably not dissimilar from those which Germany has accepted. It is regrettable that that fact was not made clear earlier, for a better propaganda point could hardly have been conceived. Rather than sell the smaller nations out, Great Britain and France abandoned hope of a defensive understanding with Russia, which turned to Germany and made that nation pay a high price for a benevolent neutrality, the full tale of which has not yet been reached. It is idle in the circumstances to accuse the Allies of being responsible for Finland's plight. They knew what M. Stalin wanted, and would be no party to the infamy which he was designing. About that Herr Hitler had no qualms, and it is he and he alone who is *particeps criminis* with M. Stalin in this cruel onslaught upon the dearly-won freedom of a youthful, and energetic nation.

Badlands' Toll

The toll taken by the Badlands is steadily increasing. The existence of this area just outside the Settlement-controlled roads, is responsible for the slightly larger number of armed crimes which are being committed in the Settlement itself, for the criminals can find easy refuge by crossing the border and losing themselves in the nests of underworld "joints" which exist there. Two Chinese constables of the S.M.P. are now being held by the Special Municipality of Shanghai for resisting what appeared at the time to be an armed crime on a Settlement road. It is fortunate for them that the reports, published locally, that they had been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment for attempted murder are unfounded. They seem to have been invented by parties who are anxious to undermine the loyalty of other Chinese attached to the S.M.P., in the same way as notices put up within the last few months promising rewards to members of the S.M.P. who would go over to them. The sponsors of the Special Municipality are surely not behaving in their best interests when they allow suspicions of their bona fides to be entertained. This case of the two Municipal policemen is very much in point. The men should be handed over to the Municipal Council which, if they are guilty of any offence, is quite capable of charging them. So long as the Special Municipality holds them, the suspicion that they are being detained for unjustifiable reasons may be entertained. There remains, also, the ever-growing number of "incidents" on the outside roads. By what right do the Special Municipality police hold a British soldier, no matter what his offence, so long as the authorities which are responsible for him are willing to take him over? The Special Municipality may rest assured that any Briton guilty of serious offences within their jurisdiction will be properly punished. Therefore, their action in detaining men who have been, at the worst "having a lark," is difficult to understand. And when it comes to detaining and threatening with punishment men who have been simply doing their duty, as in the case of the Chinese constables, their action becomes incomprehensible.

The Real War Aims

Insistent demands have been made for a concrete definition of Britain's aims in the present conflict, and answers have been given which have aroused criticism in opposition political camps. While the majority of people have voted approval of the recent statement by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, the dissent by the opposition in the House—probably a matter of course rather than serious reflection—induces the quotation of another definition by a distinguished diplomat who played the principal British role in the drama which swung from Berlin and Berchtesgaden to Munich and who gave his impressions in the final report published in this journal a few days ago. He is Sir Nevile Henderson, former British Ambassador to Germany. Speaking at a Press Club luncheon in London, Sir Nevile, who declared he was "out of job" and as his despatches were such an excellent piece of reporting that he ought automatically to be "in benefit" on the unemployment roll, had this statement to make:

> We have got to make adjustments. We must end the war in such a way that the only grievances which the Germans have are against their own rulers, against their leader, and against the system which has again brought them to defeat. The problem thereafter will be to see whether Germany can ever be brought to the same standard of civilization as we are fighting for today. If the peace has been a just one we can safely leave that to the coming generation. When I left Germany my experience was that there was no hatred among the mass of the German people against England as there was in 1914. I am sorry to say that my information is that that has been greatly changed in the last two months, thanks to the propaganda of Dr. Goebbels. Be that as it may, I find here in England very little signs of hostility to Germans as distinct from Hitlerism and its principles.

Here, in a nutshell, is a declaration of aims which the Prime Minister, speaking on behalf of the Government and the people, could not express so informally, but as the observation and opinion of an astute observer of Europe's greatest calamity it should commend itself to all parties in the conflict.

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Those Wicked Finns!

The thoroughly well-disciplined Soviet Press is now endeavouring to justify the invasion of Finland with the usual atrocity stories. The correspondent of the "Izvestia" reported that water used for drinking purposes had been poisoned because there were "strange looking bubbles" in it. What would be the use of poisoning wells, etc., which by now have been frozen up, when all the supply of good clean water necessary is available by merely melting snow, it is difficult to understand. Another example of Finnish perfidy is that ambushes are plentiful and Soviet soldiers cannot even walk alone to the back of the front lines without suffering the penalty. The fault seems to be that of Soviet forces, who obviously, if this story is true, have failed to clean up their rear as they press forward. The same correspondent writes of the large number of mines posted everywhere by the Finns. The Soviet's dear friends, the Germans, have not been above using that little "wheeze" already in the present war, but that, of course, does not do away with the Russian feeling that it is very wrong of the Finns to do the same thing. The third alleged atrocity story is to the effect that the Finns captured a Soviet scout and cruelly tortured him in the course of questioning. How could the Soviet press possibly know this, unless the Finns were so foolish as to allow the scout to escape afterwards? It is not the habit of any country to permit prisoners of war to escape once they have been captured. And all this despite the fact that the Soviet newspapers have warned readers against the "atrocity yarns invented by the capitalist press." That was obviously designed to offset the young Russian woman aviator, who, after having fusilladed civilians in Helsinki from her aeroplane, crashed. The first doses suggest that the Soviet propaganda organ is just about as clumsy as its German opposite number, which distinguishes itself by a vehemence which defeats its own object in the ears of neutral listeners, while it has also to be said that unless the Soviet propagandist can turn out something rather better than the above samples he will be judged wholly lacking in imagination.

IN PARENTHESIS

How Surprising

MY young daughter, aged nine, came running in the other day and exclaimed, "Mummy, Mrs. Smith has got two 'unexpected' mothers."

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"Dig Up Tommy"

A MOTHER who had previously refused to have her son evacuated sent the following note to school:

"Dear Teacher, I have changed my mind and have decided I would like to have Tommy excavated."

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Disillusioned

HUSBAND (furious): "Elsie, do you realize that you are married to a bank clerk?"

Wife: "Of course I do."

Husband: "Well, you surprise me! When I saw this dressmaker's bill I thought you were under the impression that you had married a bank."

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Simple

FEELING lonely, because my husband is in France, I paid a visit to my sister. I took my two-year-old son with me.

At my sister's the electric light went out suddenly and a shilling had to be put in the meter.

Our return journey was Baby's first experience of the blackout. I happened to say, "Oh, it is dark, Derry."

At once he said, "Put a shilling in, Mummy, like Auntie did."

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Mother in a Hurry

MY husband was working away from home. When a night air-raid warning sounded my first thought was for the children.

I brought them downstairs, dressed them, complete with winter-coats, Wellington boots and gas-masks, and led the way to the house next door—our neighbour having suggested that we should stay with her during a raid.

We had got as far as our garden gate when my little girl said: "Aren't you going to get dressed too, Mummy? you've only got your shoes and knickers on!"

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Letter Home

AN Edinburgh girl, aged ten, who had been evacuated to "somewhere in Fife," writes home to her mother in the following terms:—

> Mum, it's great. We have a house all to ourselves. N— and I asked I— if she would like to sleep with us, but she said she would rather have a bedroom to herself, so we said alright.
>
> While I am writing this letter I am sitting at my dressingroom table N—. I— is in her own room, and we are eating 2d bars of chocolate.
>
> But, Oh boy, we are in a toff's house. We have six rooms and a bathroom, and we have a bath every night.
>
> But, Oh my, the people are nice, but guess who they are—three teachers and a nurse, and they have a car, and we have been out in their car. And we might as well live in the sea, we are so near it, just across the road.
>
> There is nothing to worry about, as a lot of the children say this is far better than a holiday. The people grow green apples and green peas in pods, too. Oh, boy, I keep looking at those green apples. I am away to have one. Cheerio. E—.

THE WEATHER

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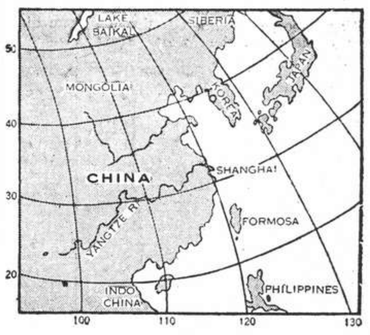

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 5th:—High and steady pressure over China and Japan. Typhoon to the north-north-east of Manila moving northward. Normal winter monsoon along the China Coast. Fine and cold weather in China.

State on the morning of the 6th:—Fine and cold weather. South-easterly breezes. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy, fine and milder weather with south-westerly to north-westerly winds over Shantung and our regions: north-easterly over the Eastern Sea. Morning mist in places. Typhoon signals: 1st: Approximate position of the centre at 2 p.m., within 60 miles, latitude 17, longitude 124, direction east-north-east, intensity: unknown. 2nd: Approximate position of the centre at 6 a.m., within 120 miles, latitude 12, longitude 140, direction west-north-west to north-west, intensity: unknown.—Siccawei Observatory.

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London, Dec. 6.

REVIEWING the course of naval warfare during the first three months, together with an outline of the present position, Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, told the House of Commons that the main attacks by the enemy were concentrated on the Royal Navy and sea-borne commerce, on which the British Islands and Empire depended. "We have," Mr. Churchill said, "always over 2,000 ships at sea and between 10 and 150 ships on the move every day in our harbours in the United Kingdom alone.

"This immense traffic has to be maintained in spite of consistent U-boat attacks, which never hesitate to break the conventions of civilian warfare, to which Germany so recently subscribed. We have been frequently attacked from the air. Mining on a large scale has been practised against us, and latterly, magnetic mines have been dropped from aeroplanes or laid by submarines under conditions contrary to the accepted rules of sea warfare and of specific German engagements with regard to them. Besides this, two so-called pocket battleships and one other cruiser have been loosed on the Navy.

"The Admiralty's task has been to bring in our immense world-wide traffic in spite of this opposition. Besides these, we have to cleanse the seas of all German commerce (laughter) and arrest every German vessel and every scrap of cargo in which Germany is interested.

"Broadly speaking, these considerable duties have hitherto been successfully discharged. The destruction of U-boats has been proceeding normally and in accordance with the estimates I gave of between two and four each week. That is, at a rate superior to what we believe to be the German power of replacing U-boats and competently trained U-boat captains and crews. The rate of destruction, of course, varies with the number of U-boats which are actively used."

Hunting Craft Tripled

Mr. Churchill mentioned that U-boat commanders had sought to emulate the exploits of Scapa Flow by penetrating into Great Britain's defended harbours and "several graves of U-boats lie upon their approaches."

In the last week, he continued, U-boats had been active and "we are inclined to think five have certainly met their fate. These results are independent of any achievements by the French Navy."

It was a comfort to feel, Mr. Churchill went on, that the very great reinforcements to hunting craft in Home waters had already been tripled since the beginning of the War and would come to service during 1940.

"I must repeat the warning," he said, "that a steady flow of losses must be expected, that occasional disasters will occur, and that any failure on our part to act up to the level of circumstances would immediately be attended by grave danger. It is my sure belief that we are getting the better of this menace to our lives."

Sinking at Sight Policy

Mr. Churchill then mentioned that U-boats were now turning from using guns to using torpedoes and sinking ships at sight. "This," he continued, "carries them into a form of warfare which is at once more ruthless and, at the same time, less effective." A torpedo attack, he explained, was slower and the chances of interception were reduced.

The Admiralty, he went on, had armed already, in addition to armed merchant cruisers, more than 1,000 merchant ships for self-defensive purposes. This process, he said, was being continued with all possible speed. It would not be long, he continued, before 2,000 vessels were so armed. The efficacy of the method of U-boat detection was increasingly proved, said the First Lord of the Admiralty, and the ordeal to which U-boats would be subjected would become ever more severe.

Turning to the convoy system, Mr. Churchill said it was now in full operation. Very few ships, he added, were attacked in convoy and less than one in 750 was sunk.

Convoys, he declared, involved a certain definite loss of carrying power, but this loss was being steadily reduced by the institution of slow and fast convoys and other appropriate measures. A certain delay, however, he stated, must always remain.

Growing Attacks on Neutrals

"In consequence of our advance in the defence of our merchant ships," he continued, "U-boats have found it easier to attack neutral shipping. They increasingly prefer to attack ships of countries with whom they are at peace, rather than those with whom they are at War.

"The figures are remarkable. Loss of British merchant ships in October were half of what they were in September, and in November losses were only two-thirds of what they were in October. There is a strong, steady diminuition of the loss of all ships obeying Admiralty directions or joining our convoys.

"Quite the contrary has been the case with neutrals. They have lost half as much again in the second month as in the first, and double as much in the third month as in the second.

"It is a strange kind of warfare for the German Navy to engage in. When driven off the shipping of their declared enemy, they console themselves by running amok among the shipping of neutrals.

"This should encourage neutrals to charter their ships to Great Britain for the duration of the War, when they can be sure of making larger profits than they have ever made in peace, and have a complete guarantee against loss. We have already chartered several millions of tonnage, and it seems probably that this healthy process will continue to our mutual advantage."

Referring to mines, Mr. Churchill said that was about the lowest form of warfare that could be imagined. "It is the warfare of the Irish Republican Army," he said, "like leaving bomb parcels at offices and railway stations."

The magnetic mine, Mr. Churchill said, might perhaps be Herr Hitler's much vaunted secret weapon.

Speaking of the Royal Navy, Mr. Churchill said so far 50,000 tons of warships had been lost. "We are building nearly 1,000,000 tons of warships," he said, "much of which is in an advanced stage."—Reuter.

King Inspects Men On Battle Front

Highlanders Reviewed And R.A.F. Visited; Lunch at Estaminet

London, Dec. 6.

The King, who is visiting France, made an early start on his second day with the Army, writes Reuter's Special Correspondent with the British Expeditionary Forces. His Majesty, he says, had breakfast at 7.30 o'clock, consisting of porridge, bacon and eggs.

Another full programme has been arranged to enable the King to see as much as possible of the different fighting units.

The King yesterday spent eight hours with his armies in the field and sounds of cheering as he left each unit carried across the countryside.

His Majesty lunched with Lord Gort, Commander-in-Chief of the British Field Forces, the Duke of Gloucester and a score of other high officials in a simple village estaminet, ordinarily used as a corporals' mess. The tour covered a wide area and concluded with a review of a battalion of Highlanders, only a quarter of a mile behind the barbed wire defences.

As the convoy, headed by the King's car, flying the Royal Standard, returned in the twilight to General Headquarters, little crowds of French people lined the streets of towns and villages waving a welcome.—Reuter.

Muddy Fields Await King

With B.E.F. Dec. 6.

King George clambered through muddy fields on the West Front today to inspect British forces in this sector. The King's tour includes two lines the British Expeditionary Forces are rapidly completing to supplement the system created by the French as part of their entirely fortified lines.

Today King George is a soldier in the front line sharing the life of the ordinary Tommy. Enthusiasm of the troops for the Royal visit was shown by the added "spit and polish" the Tommy gave his tunic and buttons and the extra zip put into making everything ship-shape so the King can take back the best possible impression to the folks at home about the B.E.F.

It has been the custom for General Viscount Gort, Commander-in-Chief of the Field Forces, to arrange what is known as "front line picnics" for visitors from home. This means a hasty sandwich lunch eaten along the roadside. It was anticipated that the King would share a meal with the troops in the front line during his three-day visit to the B.E.F.

The tour of the line will be made in the camouflaged car which brought His Majesty from the Channel port where he landed on Monday at 4.15 p.m. in secrecy. The troops will easily identify the car because in addition to the Commander-in-Chief identification flag, it flies a small Royal Standard from a miniature flag post on the radiator.

The King has crowded days before him. It was dark before he completed his first day's tour and returned to the chateau he is sharing with General Gort. The tour yesterday covered six main points and gave His Majesty an opportunity not only to get a general impression of the military strategy of the B.E.F. but also to observe the task of officers and men in widely different lines.—United Press.

Tour Made in Pouring Rain

Paris, Dec. 5.

Showing the utmost interest in the welfare of his men, King George of Great Britain today began a detailed inspection tour of positions occupied by units of the British Expeditionary Force, a Havas correspondent reported from the Western Front.

His Majesty was accompanied by the Duke of Gloucester, his younger brother; General Viscount Gort, Commander-in-Chief of the B.E.F., three French generals and a suite of 20 high officers.

Weather was unfavourable, but despite the pouring rain, the King carried on with his tour as planned. His Majesty wore a trenchcoat and a marshal's uniform. The King first visited an aerodrome in the war zone, the Havas correspondent stated, and asked that the pilots stationed there be presented personally. His Majesty then inspected aircraft there.

Later in the day, the King visited other military positions, spoke with the officers and asked numerous questions about the military situation and the condition of the men in the lines.

It was dark by the time the sovereign returned to headquarters, cheered along the route by crowds of villagers, the Havas correspondent concluded his report.—Havas.

Parliament Expresses Sympathy to King

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

Both Houses of Parliament have agreed to present addresses to the King expressing sympathy and condolence in the death of Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, who died on December 3.—Reuter.

Finns Bomb Red Air Base At Murmansk

Many Tanks, Planes Destroyed; Invaders Use Dum-Dum Bullets

Helsinki, Dec. 6.

The Legations have all moved ten miles inland to a village called Grankula. The American Ambassador in Moscow is reported to have warned the Kremlin of the consequences of injury to Americans at Grankula or damage to the premises of the United States Legation.

Commenting on the Soviet Government's refusal to accept the Finnish offer to open negotiations for peace, an official communique says: "Anything more cynical than the Soviets' reply to the League of Nations has hardly been known in world diplomacy. All allegations regarding the character and authority of the present Finnish Government—which is supported by the Diet—are completely false. It is evident that the Soviets' real aim is to destroy the independence and freedom of a peace-loving, right-seeking Finland."

An official Finnish communique states that after three days of fighting in the Karelian Isthmus, 64 Russian tanks were captured. In one fight alone 2,000 Russians were killed. In fierce fighting at Salmi, the communique says, many prisoners were taken, in one engagement eight out of ten Russian tanks being destroyed. Prisoners said they were told it would take only five or six days to conquer Finland, and that Finland was the aggressor. Finnish losses in the past few days were small. Naval authorities here announce the Russians took the island of Tutasaari, the Finnish force having moved to the mainland. There was no air fighting but Finnish planes made reconnaissance flights and bombed enemy troops.

The Finns organized an attack against Red parachute detachments and such attempts have so far been reported unsuccessful. The first report of the use of Finnish tanks was received today when they attacked and destroyed ten Russian tanks.

Mass Air Raids Feared

While Helsinki and other towns yesterday enjoyed their third day of uneasy respite, Finnish troops in the extreme north were feverishly digging themselves in amid the charred and smoking ruins of Petsamo and Salmijaervi.

Although no Soviet bombers appeared over the capital, everyone listened and watched for the first sign of a mass air raid. There are considerable fears for today, the 21st anniversary of Finland's independence. Many Finns fear that Moscow spared them yesterday so that the threatened destruction should coincide with this anniversary.

Near Petsamo and Salmijaervi the Finns are preparing to offer energetic resistance to the Soviet attack expected soon. Fighting in this district has been heavy and it is admitted the Russians have gained a certain advance. By road and rail the Russians are pouring troops to the front, but so far the reinforcements have not been strong enough to make a really successful frontal attack on the main Finnish positions.

Streams of fugitives continue to cross the Norwegian frontier, but not a single Finnish soldier has passed into Norway.—Reuter.

50 Italian Planes for Finns

Stockholm, Dec. 6.

Fifty Italian planes have arrived in Finland by air, according to a report received here today.

The Finns are reported to be astonished at the time the Soviet Army is taking to overcome the first Finnish provincial defences with which they are still faced.

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Disorder in Leningrad Garrison Reported

Stockholm, Dec. 6.

Disorders broke out among troops in the Leningrad garrison as a sequel to the unexpectedly fierce Finnish resistance, according to the Helsinki correspondent of the newspaper "Social Demokraten," who stated that he has received this information from absolutely reliable sources.

Mainly Leningrad troops are being used in the attacks against Finland and Soviet propaganda, spread the belief that Finland would be crushed rapidly thus affording the Soviet army much glory at little cost. This contention has already proved utterly unfounded, thereby creating considerable dissatisfaction in the Soviet rank and file which is insufficiently prepared both morally and materially for a hard winter campaign.—Havas.

King George Congratulates Royal Air Force

King George has paid a visit to France and inspected the front line positions of the British army. He also visited an aerodrome and individually congratulated officers. Here His Majesty is seen at an aerodrome in England meeting the men who took part in a fight with Nazi planes over the North Sea when seven Nazi planes were brought down.

Lord Halifax Clarifies War And Peace Aims of Allies

Good Faith and Security; Freedom of Peoples; Soviet Attack on Finns Blamed on Nazi Policy

London, Dec. 5.

IN a speech bare of sensationalism but packed with quietly-spoken highly important statements of policy, the British Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, today defined Great Britain's war and peace with Soviet aggression against Finland and answered the protest of neutral nations against the Allied blockade of German exports. It was in the House of Lords that Lord Halifax delivered his address which be began by declaring, "The general purpose for which we have taken up arms is perfectly clear. We desire that people who have been deprived of their independence should recover their liberties. We desire to safeguard our own freedom and security.

"We seek no aggrandisement or to redraw the map in our own interests. Still less are we moved by any spirit of vengeance, although I recognize the truth of everything that can be said about the increasing difficulty of maintaining this position (of non-vengeance) in the hearts of our people as the war goes on.

"On the contrary," Lord Halifax asserted, "if Germany is able to restore the confidence that she has destroyed, we aim at a settlement which will encourage her to take her rightful place in Europe and we wish to create an international order in which all peoples can determine their political and economic life free of interference from their more powerful neighbours. To this end, we would be willing to give of our best in co-operation with other nations, including Germany, to forward political and economic reconstruction.

"The same point of view will be found in the declarations made by the French Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, and by other French leaders of all parties.

Conditions for Stopping War

"On what conditions would Britain lay down her arms?" Lord Halifax asked.

"The answer was given by M. Daladier in his speech a few days ago when he said France, and he might have added the United Kingdom, would lay down arms when she could deal with a Government whose signature could be trusted.

"The conference method was followed in September, 1938, and we were willing to follow it again immediately before this war if Germany would have abandoned her intentions to invade Poland and had withdrawn her troops."

Referring to the Munich Agreement, Lord Halifax declared: "An agreement was reached and most solemn assurances were given at Munich. But only six months after, Herr Hitler changed his mind. He can always find excuses which are satisfactory to himself to justify actions which completely contradict assurances given earlier. That kind of overnight about-turn shows that no conference can be held securely successful unless the habit of disregarding assurances is abandoned. It is little use deluding ourselves with wilful thinking about the results to be achieved by conference until the primary lesson has been learned by those who would participate in it, namely that force does not pay.

"There is no evidence yet that Germany has learned that primary lesson," the Foreign Secretary affirmed.

Good Faith and Security

"The two prerequisites to a conference are, firstly: that there should be evidence that the German Government is willing to accept terms which correspond to the purposes for which we took up arms; secondly: that there should be security that any settlement reached would be respected. On any other basis, the conference would achieve nothing and would be likely only to enable the German leader to make their people believe that the old method of force had not worked too badly."

Alluding to Soviet Russia, Lord Halifax asserted: "We tried to improve our relations with Russia, but always maintained the position that the rights of third parties must remain intact and be unaffected by our negotiations.

"I think," he continued, "that events have shown that the judgment and instinct of the British Government in refusing an agreement with the Soviet Government in terms of formulae covering cases of indirect aggression on the Baltic States, were right.

"It is now plain that these formulae might well have been the cloak for ultimate designs, and I have little doubt that the British people would prefer to face difficulties rather than feel that we had compromised the honour of the British Commonwealth on such an issue.....

"In the last few days we have witnessed what has been universally condemned as an inexcusable act of aggression by one of the largest upon one of the smallest but most highly civilized nations of Europe.

"Open towns have been bombarded, women and children mutilated and killed on the pretext that a nation of

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Soviet Expulsion Improbable

League Discussions May Be Academic on Basis Of Finn Plea

Geneva, Dec. 6.

League discussions of Finland's appeal against Soviet aggression will probably be speedy and may result in the expulsion of the U.S.S.R. from the League of Nations, informed quarters here believe.

The Council will meet on Saturday and will probably limit business to taking official cognisance of Finland's appeal. Then it will submit the appeal for discussion by the Assembly meeting on Monday, December 11. Finland's chief delegate will speak before the Assembly in justification of his Government's appeal, and Soviet Russia's absence should speed debates, it was stated.

Parleys should conclude with the vote either of a resolution or a recommendation, and debates then will revert to the Council, which alone is capable of expelling the U.S.S.R. from the League. A unanimous vote is necessary in the Council to expel Soviet Russia, it was pointed out here, and difficulties are expected as Latvia is a member, and her territory is partially under Soviet military control. This may be overcome, League quarters asserted, if Latvia refrains from voting.—Havas.

Italy's Withdrawal

Rome, Dec. 6.

Italy's withdrawal from the League of Nations will become effective on December 11, it is authoritatively affirmed. This date marks the expiration of the customary period of notice of withdrawal.—Reuter.

Expulsion Improbable

London, Dec. 6.

Great Britain's delegation to the League of Nations during discussions of Finland's appeal against Soviet invasion will be headed by Mr. R. A. Butler, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon. The Prime Minister added that Finland made her appeal to the League on

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Secret Session of Commons to Be Held Next Week Before Adjournment

Sir Samuel Hoare Answers Labour Critics; British Production Rate to Be Ten Times Bigger in January

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

A secret session of the House of Commons will be held next Wednesday, December 13, it is understood. Parliament is expected to adjourn the following day, December 14, until January 16.

An incident occurred in the House of Commons yesterday when Mr. William Dobbie, Labour member for Rotherham, raised a question concerning the delayed payment of allowances to wives in his constituency, whose husbands were in the Army. Mr. Dobbie persisted in shouting when called to order by the Speaker. Finally, he left the House, but returned after a short period.

Regretting "the absence of proposals for organizing to the full our human and material resources for the effective prosecution of the war, for the provision and maintenance of an adequate standard of life for all, and for the solution, on the basis of social justice, of problems which will arise on the return of peace," Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, moved an amendment to the King's address in the House of Commons yesterday.

In reply, Sir Samuel Hoare, Lord Privy Seal, reviewed Great Britain's industrial efforts in the three months of the war. The value of contracts placed for munitions and equipment since the beginning of the war, he said, was £195,000,000. He then gave details on a number of ordnance and private factories in operation in Great Britain.

Sir Samuel Hoare forecast the productions rate for next January at ten times that for January, 1939. Aircraft production in January, 1940, he revealed, would be doubled compared with that at the outbreak of the war, while 1,000,000 tons of new shipping was being built.

Referring to unemployment, Sir Samuel was of the opinion that "in the early months of 1940 a job would be looking for its man, not a man for his job."—Reuter.

Canada Opens Air Force To Americans

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Ottawa, Dec. 5.

New regulations issued by the Defence Department open the ranks of the Air Force to non-citizens of European descent, resident in Canada, who are willing to take an oath of allegiance to the King.

This measure, it is understood, is due to the numerous applications received from American youths, many of whom are experienced pilots, to join the Canadian Air Force.—Reuter.

Nazi Push Through Luxembourg Near

Divisions Said Taken From Dutch Frontiers; Forty U-Boats Sunk

London, Dec. 6.

In preparation for a large-scale offensive against France's formidable Maginot Line, ten German divisions have been withdrawn from the Dutch border and are now stationed on the Luxembourg border, according to the Brussels correspondent of the "Daily Mail." The offensive, the correspondent says, will commence in the very near future and the neutrality of Luxembourg would now be violated whereas the previous German plan to invade Holland had to be abandoned.

Narrowly missing a gasometer and other structures, a German monoplane dived into the sea only a few hundred yards off the east coast early this morning. When the corpse of a young German aviator, presumably a member of the crew of the ill-fated plane, was discovered on the beach after it had been washed ashore with part of the wreckage of the plane, life-boats proceeded to search for possible survivors. When it became apparent that none of the other members of the crew seemed to have had enough time to escape from the helpless plane, the search was discontinued.

The wreckage was first discovered at low tide this morning and residents of Sheringham, Norfolk, who had heard the plane as it was flying towards the coast, said that they did not see British planes in pursuit of the enemy machine. They also did not hear any anti-aircraft fire. The two engines of the plane seem to have detached themselves from the wreckage and to have dropped into the sea. The life-boats discovered traces of oil on the surface of the sea, presumably at the point where the plane first hit the water.

About 40 U-boats Sunk

Between 36 and 40 U-boat raiders were sunk since the outbreak of the war on September 3, authoritative naval quarters estimated today. They declared they could not give the exact figure because in certain cases submarines were known to have been hit badly but perhaps not sunk.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare announced that the "navicert" system aimed to ease contraband control measures applicable to neutral ships in the blockade zone, will shortly be extended from the United States, where it is enforced since December 1, to Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay. Exporters in these countries are advised, the Ministry added, to benefit from the "navicert" facilities, inform British representatives on the spot of the nature of their cargoes and their destination, and thus qualify to obtain the certificates which will greatly ease control measures over their goods.—Havas.

German Liner Captured

Capetown, Dec. 6.

British warships captured the German liner Ussukuma, 7,834 tons, in the South Atlantic, it is officially announced here today by the Naval authorities. The Ussukuma left the Lourenco Marques, a district in Portuguese East Africa, 24 hours before war was declared, and later called at Bahia Blanca, a city three miles up the River Naposta, in Argentina. The officers and crew of the German liner are safely aboard a British ship.—Reuter.

U.S. to Clarify Attitude

Washington, Dec. 5.

A decision can be expected this week as to whether or not the United States will protest to Great Britain and France regarding the Allies' seizure of German exports in neutral ships on the high seas, an official of the State Department said today. He added the question had been studied for some time by officials of the State Department, following the protests of other neutrals.—Reuter.

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Allies Warned By Gaimusho Spokesman Over Blockade

Japan Capable of Reprisals, Declares Mr. Y. Suma to Journal; British Attitude Friendly

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

A STATEMENT by Mr. Yakichiro Suma, Foreign Office spokesman, to the effect that "such a measure violates all known rights of neutrals and inflicts severe losses to them," is printed by the "Miyako Shimbun" in connection with the enforcement of the British Order-in-Council authorizing the seizure of German exports in neutral ships on the high seas.

"Should Japanese ships in Europe suffer any losses, we are determined to take definite action to cope with the situation in accordance with international law," Mr. Suma is quoted as having stated.

"Replying to our protest, Mr. R. A. Butler (British Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs) said they would do their best in handling German exports destined for Japan.

"That is because Great Britain is afraid of Japan's determination. Do you ask why? Because Great Britain and France have considerable rights and interests in the Orient, including Hongkong and Singapore. And if Britain and France clash with Japan, they will be like chinaware, that is, easily broken. What great losses they would suffer, can easily be supposed.

"Moreover, the adjustment of relations between Great Britain and Japan, for which Britain is now working hard, would come to naught. So Britain would have everything to lose and nothing to gain, as far as Japan is concerned, as a result of the enforcement of the Ordinance.

"At any rate," the "Miyako Shimbun" concludes in quoting the Foreign Office spokesman, "Japan has strong determination against the outrage, and I am confident our national power will serve to cause Britain and France to reconsider their attitude."

Interviewed After Party

Questioned regarding the "Miyako Shimbun" story at this morning's press conference, Mr. Suma said he returned from a party very late last night and found a press reporter and cameramen at his residence.

The press reporter asked many questions on Britain's decision to seize German exports found on neutral ships. Mr. Suma said he fully explained the Order-in-Council to the reporter and expressed the hope that Britain and France would share Japan's belief in the importance of the issue. He added that the press reporter had "unduly embellished" his remarks.

Asked whether he was taking steps to correct the alleged misrepresentation, Mr. Suma replied the matter was not sufficiently serious to require correction.

Turning to the interview on December 4 between the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph C. Grew, and the Foreign Minister, Admiral Nomura, the spokesman said that Admiral Nomura had not mentioned U.S. fleet movements.

Mr. Suma made this statement in denial of the Japanese news agency report that Admiral Nomura had informed Mr. Grew that it would be impossible for the Japanese Government to proceed with the adjustment of relations between Japan and the United States under seeming threats of pressure, such as the strong sentiment in the United States in favour of concentrating the United States' fleet in the Pacific.—Reuter.

Four Ships Allowed Through

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

Four Japanese vessels carrying German exports will leave European waters for Japan within the next two weeks, a spokesman for the Japanese Foreign Office revealed today.

Three Japanese ships, he said, would clear Rotterdam before December 20 and one would sail from London. All would carry German goods, he added.

The spokesman said that the British Government, which has announced it would seize all German exports on neutral vessels, was paying the "greatest consideration" to the Japanese protest against the confiscation of German goods aboard Japanese vessels and that technical negotiations were now getting under way between Japanese and British authorities.

He would not comment when asked if British officials had agreed to Japan's request that German exports on Japanese ships not be seized.—Domei.

New Representations

London, Dec. 5.

New Japanese representations against British control measures over German exports were lodged with the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, today by Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu, Japanese Ambassador, it was reliably reported this evening.

Mr. Shigemitsu, it was stated, drew the Foreign Secretary's attention to the problem raised by goods of German origin which now are awaiting shipment for Japan.

In the course of the afternoon, the envoy also called on Mr. R. A. Butler, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs.—Havas.

Soviet Embassy Members Recalled from Berlin

Amsterdam, Dec. 6.

The First Secretary, M. Nikolski Ivanoff, and two other members of the Soviet Embassy in Berlin have been suddenly recalled to Moscow, according to reports received here. The reason for the move is not revealed, but it is stated much comment has been caused in Berlin, at such an incident occurring when Germany urgently desires her relations with Russia to appear outwardly cordial.—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 4 13/16d. U.S.$ 7 15/16c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Dec. 6.

Silver prices advanced slightly today, with quotations being fixed as follow:—

	Dec. 5	Dec. 6
London spot	23 3/8d.	23 7/16d.
" forward	23 9/16d.	23 5/8d.
" gold	168/-	168/-

London/New York:

	Dec. 5 close	Dec. 6 1 p.m.
One pound	U.S.$4.0200	$4.0200
One U.S. dollar	59.701d.	59.701d.

—Reuter.

Newspaper Threats To United States

Tokyo Journal Demands Change of Attitude; War Said the Alternative

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

If the United States does not want to go to war with Japan she should "reconsider her attitude," the "Miyako Shimbun" said today.

"We take this occasion to tell frankly the American Government and people that the Japanese people, until recently, thought the Soviets and Japan incompatible," the newspaper said, "and no one thought a Japanese-American war possible.

"Of late, Japanese sentiment towards the Soviet has been greatly appeased, while sentiment toward America has stiffened, because of the American abrogation of the commercial treaty, demands for an embargo, attempts to interfere in East Asia, and threats to Japan by concentrating the fleet in the Pacific.

"If America does not want war with Japan, America should reconsider her attitude."

"More Constructive Attitude"

The "Nichi Nichi Shimbun" said that Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Foreign Minister, told his Cabinet advisers yesterday that his meeting with Mr. Joseph C. Grew, United States Ambassador to Japan, last Monday indicated that "the United States attitude has become somewhat more constructive" compared with the attitude revealed by his previous conference with Mr. Grew.

Referring to the Soviet Union, the newspaper said that Italy and Germany both have non-aggression pacts with Russia, but "there are indications that these Powers at the bottom of their hearts feel apprehensive."

The "Yomiuri" warned the United States against forcing Japan into the arms of Russia.

Meanwhile, the Foreign Office spokesman, Mr. Yakichiro Suma, said the Japanese Government does not consider the American fleet in the Pacific as a threat against Japan. He said that Admiral Nomura had not mentioned the fleet during his conversation with Mr. Grew last Monday.

Public Opinion Explained

"Mr. Grew previously explained the status of American public opinion, relative to the possibility of an embargo against Japan," Mr. Suma said, "and Admiral Nomura responded with an explanation of the Japanese opinion. However, Admiral Nomura never mentioned any American action as a threat against Japan."

Mr. Suma, in response to questioning, said Japan has "not yet" approached the United States regarding the *Modus vivendi* for replacing the abrogated treaty of Commerce.—United Press.

U.S. Studies Grew Report

Washington, Dec. 6.

Department of State officials yesterday were studying the report of Mr. Joseph C. Grew, United States Ambassador to Tokyo, to determine whether it contained a basis for settling Japanese-American problems. Pending study of the report, they said, they were unable to comment.

Although it was understood that Mr. Grew and the Japanese Foreign Minister, Admiral K. Nomura, had not specifically discussed the negotiation of a new commercial pact, in their conversation last Monday it was believed that Admiral Nomura had indicated conciliatory Japanese action would be taken in connection with United States claims against Japan.—United Press.

Deeds Not Words Wanted

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

Deeds and not words were apparently desired by the United States as proof that foreign rights and interests would be safeguarded in China by Japan, "the "Japan Advertiser," American-owned and managed newspaper here, declared today.

Commenting on the interview between Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Japanese Foreign Minister, and Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, American Ambassador, the "Advertiser" asserted that something more definite than reports indicate transpired.

Predicting that the period between the second and third interview between Admiral Nomura and Mr. Grew would be shorter than the month's time between the first and second conference, the paper urged that the United States give constructive consideration to the readjustment of relations with Japan.—Domei.

U.S. Feeling Favourable

Washington, Dec. 6.

American desires for successful Japanese-American negotiations reached a new level for the past 4 months yesterday when it was announced that concrete steps were taken on Monday for the settlement of pending questions between the two countries.

Tokyo dispatches on the second conference between Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Japanese Foreign Minister, and Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, American Ambassador, were headlined by many American newspapers. A number of them expressed sympathetic notes in editorials.

Anti-Soviet feelings in the United States, these observers stated, gave birth to the precaution that Americans should beware of being so careless as to drive Japan into the hands of Russia.

Improvement of feeling towards Japan in the United States does not mean, these observers declared, that Japan's new order in East Asia would be recognized. But it does mean, it was stated, that America was preparing to give further consideration to Japan's "special position."—Domei.

U.S. Would Join Pan-American Condemnation of Soviets

Finland's Debt Payment Set Aside for Remission; Republicans Make Issue of Severing Relations

Washington, Dec. 6.

THE United States Government would be glad to join in a Pan-American declaration condemning Soviet invasion of Finland, the Assistant State Secretary, Mr. Sumner Welles, announced yesterday. Several American republics, he stated, have already got in touch with the Administration of the United States, on the subject of issuing a common statement in support of principles of international law and in condemnation of use of force as a means of settling international disputes.

"Any attempt against the integrity and freedom of any American State, necessarily constitutes an attack against all American countries and will entitle the victim to request the aid of all other American nations. The clearer this is understood the better," said Mr. Adolf A. Berle, Assistant Secretary of State at the Pan-American conference here yesterday.

Mr. Berle emphatically denied that inter-American co-operation had as an object the domination of the American markets by the United States or that the United States wished to take over markets formerly held by European countries.

In commenting on the close co-operation of all American countries, Brigadier-General Strong, second-in-command of the U.S. General Staff, said that the United States are prepared to assist any American Republic if an aggressor attempts to secure a base of operation in the American hemisphere, although there is no agreement concerning collective action of American forces. "Our security would disappear," Brig.-Gen. Strong said, "as soon as a powerful aggressor should secure a base in our hemisphere."

Finland's Debt Set Aside

This year's installment of the Finnish war debt to the United States, due here on December 15, will be put aside and Congress will be asked next month to study the question of the Finnish debt with a view to a possible moratorium, President Roosevelt told newspapermen yesterday. The President said he alone had not the power to declare a moratorium in favour of Finland but he said he intends to create, if possible, a special Finnish credit fund with the debt installment due this month. The initiative in this direction is to be taken by the American Government without any request from Finland.

The President declared he does not know exactly what purposes the fund will serve, but envisaged the extension of aid to Finnish refugees and the hard-hit civilian population.

The Soviet-Finnish conflict daily is exerting stronger repercussions on the home political situation in the United States, observers remarked today.

While it helps President Roosevelt strengthen his position on the grounds that the Administration pursues a moderate and prudent foreign policy, it also enables the Opposition to critizize him for having recognized Soviet Russia in 1935. Led by such personalities as the former President, Mr. Herbert Hoover, and the Republican Presidential candidate, Senator Arthur Vandenberg, the opposition advocates "strong action" and suspension of diplomatic relations with the U.S.S.R. They allege that President Roosevelt is responsible for the dilemna in which the United States is in today over action to be be taken in favour of Finland. Observers say the opposition's statements lack foundation since the American Government patently wishes to maintain the same policy of strict neutrality that it adopted toward Germany. The Reich, they stressed, also violated international law in the same manner as Soviet Russia.—Havas.

U.S. Part in Future Peace

Chicago, Dec. 5.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, in a speech at the annual meeting of the Farm Bureau Federation today, declared America must not be drawn into war, but even though the country remained at peace, they could not insulate themselves from economic and other effects of a major war. Already they had begun to feel impacts from the conflict in Europe.

Looking forward to the end of hostilities, Mr. Hull said in the difficult days ahead the greatest of all issues would be whether or not the world could be reconstructed along the lines of economic security and firmly established order, which would make unthinkable a repetition of the conditions of international lawlessness and economic chaos of recent years. In resolving this issue, the weight of America's infinuence might well prove decisive. If they abandoned their present trade policy under pressure of narrow, short-sighted attitudes on the part of some of their people, they would render infinitely more difficult the process of building an orderly, prosperous world, and inflict incalculable injury on themselves.—Reuter.

Chile Rejects Protest Move

Santiago, Dec. 6.

The Chilean Government is understood to have rejected the suggestion that it should join a declaration of protest by the countries of North and South America against the Russian invasion of Finland.

The Chilean reply is said to state that Chile is "essentially American," which prevents her from interfering in the affairs and conflicts of another continent.

The reply is also said to declare that such intervention is "belated," as no similar attitude was adopted at the time of the invasions of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Albania and Poland.

Mexican Condemnation

Mexico City, Dec. 6.

Senor Lazaro Cardenas, President of the Republic of Mexico, yesterday energetically condemned Soviet aggression against Finland and expressed his sympahty for the Oslo group of nations. Finland and other friendly nations were informed of his statement.—Havas.

Venezuela's Sympathy

Caracas, Dec. 5.

The Government of Venezuela voiced its sympathy and solidarity with Finland in condemnation of Soviet aggression in a message sent today to the Finnish Foreign Ministry. Venezuela, although she resigned from the League and the resignation becomes effective next year, will participate in the League sessions beginning on Saturday, it also was stated.—Havas.

Lord Halifax Clarifies War and Peace Aims Of Allies

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under 4,000,000 people had hostile designs against one of 180,000,000. The British people are profoundly shocked by the Soviet attack and profoundly admire the maginificent resistance of the Finns.

Evil of German Example

"I would make the comment," Lord Halifax added, "that the Soviet attack seems to me to be the direct consequence of Germany's policy. The tale of evil consequence that has grown from the German example and practice of aggression grows."

The Foreign Secretary then explained his inability to go personally to Geneva to attend the League Council and Assembly sessions beginning next Saturday. He added that Britain's position toward the Soviet-Finnish situation nevertheless would be defined clearly.

Turning to the protests lodged by neutral countries against the Allied imposition of control over German exports in retaliation against unrestricted German mine warfare, Lord Halifax stated: "Those protests will, of course, be answered in full detail. It is undeniable that the hostilities are bound to involve some loss for all countries, but the British Government has not exceeded its rights under international law.

Effort to Alleviate Hardships

"We do our best," he affirmed, "to apply our policy with restraint and consideration. We try to alleviate hardships to neutral trade and nothing that we have done on the sea has brought into peril the life of a single neutral citizen. Germany, on the other hand, has ruthlessly violated neutral rights and ships as well as belligerent ships and her policy clearly threatens the liberties of neutrals and the fundamental principles on which their life and ours are founded.

"It is in this light that we have the right to ask the neutrals to judge actions forced on us by the methods with which Germany makes war.

"The Allies understand well enough what is at stake. They do not expect an easy victory. They do not underrate the skill, power and determination or their enemy, nor do they count on an early collapse on the enemy's home front. But they know the quality of their own resolution and they know that recognition of the issues at stake will keep that resolution united and intense.

"I have heard suggested that immediate peace on almost any terms would be desirable in order to save Western civilization from worse perils. I think that view is short-sighted. Its fallacy is best exposed, in my judgment and heart, by events in German-occupied Poland."

Concluding his sincere address, Lord Halifax asserted: "It is already being said that a new order in Europe can come only through surrender in some measure by all nations of their sovereign rights in order to clear the way for some more organic union.

"I agree that we court disaster," he stated, "if we forget that no plan on paper will endure unless it springs freely from the will of the people, which alone can give it vigour and life."—Havas.

Soviet Expulsion Improbable

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her own initiative and that Britain's attitude toward the present Soviet-Finnish conflict would be defined publicly by Mr. Butler.

Unless other nations decide to take action instead of mouthing mere words, the Allies will continue to concentrate on their war against Aggressor Number 1,—the Nazi Reich, and will not take up arms against Soviet Russia, as well, diplomats here stated last night.

Expulsion of Russia from the League is not a likelihood; it was not moved against Italy in 1935 when sanctions were imposed. Expulsion from the League means a rupture of all contact between the condemned nation and organs of international law.

As for sanctions, diplomatic quarters continued, "certain British personalities" do not favour such action because the Allies already are engaged in a large-scale war with Germany and cannot alone police the whole world. Britain and France would not wish to provoke the hostility of another nation unless they could be assured of more than verbal support from fellow-democracies.

Germany would chiefly benefit if the Allies were to take up arms against the U.S.S.R., British political quarters pointed out, for Allied-Soviet hostilities would divert attention from the Reich.

Under certain conditions Britain and France may have to alter their attitude toward the U.S.S.R., it was affirmed. The conditions were stated to be: agreement by other nations to aid materially in righting wrongs committed by aggression; the extension of Soviet-German threats to all Scandinavia; the spread of the danger of aggression to the Balkans.—Havas.

Nazi Push Through Luxembourg Near

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London, Dec. 6.

Air-raid warnings were sounded in the Orkneys early today. "All-clear" signals were given a half hour later. A German aeroplane was heard flying overhead.

Seamen Adrift Rescued

London, Dec. 6.

Unidentified aircraft flew at a high altitude over the Thames Estuary early this morning. No air-raid warning was given. After searchlights had found two aeroplanes, they were seen to swoop low over the sea, disappearing in a north-easterly direction.

The Air Ministry announced that there was some German aircraft activity last night off the east coast. A fighter aircraft, the announcement adds, was sent up but, owing to bad weather, no contact was made. Referring to the wreckage of a German aeroplane found on the coast, the Air Ministry says it is presumed that the machine was engaged in mine-lying operations.

After 23 hours in an open boat, the captain and five members of the crew of the Swedish collier Rudolf, which was sunk by a mine off the English coast, were landed by a trawler at a Scottish port yesterday. The steamer, which was bound for Malmo from Hartlepool, carried a crew of 23, of whom nine are presumed to have been lost.

It is revealed in Oslo that the British submarine brought into port on December 1 by two British warships has been repaired and has left. The submarine was claimed to have been damaged by a recent heavy gale in the North Sea and not by enemy action.

Naval Losses Compared

Comparison with the first three months of the World War reveals that British naval losses during the same period of the present conflict are a little more than half the tonnage and less than half the number of ships lost in 1914, according to an official announcement.

From August 4 to November 4, 1914, it is pointed out, the British Navy lost 22 ships totalling 125,656 tons, including five cruisers and one aircraft-carrier torpedoed, and one battleship, one cruiser and eight other vessels mined. Three cruisers were sunk by action of German surface ships.

From September 3 to December 3 this year, it is stated, losses amounted to nine vessels totalling 73,886 tons. Among the British craft destroyed were two over-aged warships, the aircraft-carrier Courageous and the battleship Royal Oak torpedoed, and four vessels mined. The margin of superiority of the Allied Fleets is immeasurably greater today than it was in 1914, it is added.—Reuter.

German Raids Fail

Paris, Dec. 6.

"German troops attempted a number of raids, all of which failed." So comments a military communique issued here last night dealing with the situation on the Western Front.

"There is nothing of importance to report," says the latest official communique issued here today.—Reuter.

Young Germans Replace Veterans

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.

All German soldiers aged forty and over are to be demobilized, and younger men will be called up to replace them, says the Berlin correspondent of the "National Tidende."—Reuter.

Italian Report

Rome, Dec. 6.

The Rotterdam correspondent of the newspaper "Piccolo" cables that important concentrations of German infantry and artillery are occurring near the Luxembourg border, and "the concentrations are presumed to have assumed huge proportions during the past few days. Residents of Luxembourg live in a constant state of alarm."—Havas.

Germans Active Near Luxembourg

Paris, Dec. 6.

French military commentators say the Germans had begun a series of repeated drives in the Mosselle sector, concentrating on the area near Wissembourg. The first attack was launched on Sunday night, the second on Monday morning and two others last night, the commentators said. In the latter attacks the Germans relied on numerous small patrols working separately.

French authorities regard the movements as part of an attempt to gain information regarding the strength and disposition of the French battle forces along the entire front, from the Rhine to the Moselle, reports said. The thrusts were repulsed after severe fighting, but the French military leaders expect similar drives until the Germans are convinced of the impossibility of progress.

There was a resumption of heavy artillery action, French military commentators said. There was heavy fire east of the Moselle area, near Luxembourg, where the Germans shelled French advanced positions, and in the Blies sector where heavy 105's went into action.

New German Batteries

The impression given, the experts said, was that new German batteries were entering the battle lines and that the barrages were purposely laid to enable the men to gain firing experience. Because of this factor, the French prefer to wait and spot the new material before making serious counter-barrages, they added.

Air activity was generally quiet, but the Germans made a series of observation raids confined to region 50 kilometres behind the French front, and were interpreted as efforts to check on French battle strength positions. Numerous German squadrons were also seen flying over Belgian territory at a high altitude.

The French Air Force carried out deep reconnaissance flights over German territory yesterday, the military experts said, but there were no air battles.

Most of the German raids staged recently, they related, were during the early hours of dark nights. French forces continue to react sharply to the slightest moves aimed at an advance by German land forces at any point.

French military quarters believed that more German troops were slowly filtering toward the front lines, which appeared to have been considerably reinforced between Weisbrücken and Lauterburg following deep French reconnaissance in this wooded region.—United Press.

Nippon Plane Downed In Freak Incident

A unique incident which occurred during the bombardment of Kwangsi cities by a Japanese naval plane was described at yesterday evening's press conference. An anti-aircraft shell struck the detonator of a bomb which had just been released by the Japanese plane, the resultant explosion completely demolishing the wing of the plane. The machine crashed immediately, all occupants apparently being killed.

Finns Bomb Red Air Base At Murmansk

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Uneasiness increased in Helsinki today following the receipt of reports that Russian pilots had been instructed not to fly below 4,000 feet owing to the accuracy of anti-aircraft batteries. It is feared that as a result, Soviet bombers will scatter bombs indiscriminately.

Finland laid mines round the Aaland Islands, under the 1921 convention for protecting the neutrality of the islands, it is reliably reported here.

It is also stated the Finnish Government is still in Helsinki.

Authoritative circles here consider there is now no hope for a peaceful settlement of the Soviet-Finnish dispute.—Reuter.

Finns Bomb Murmansk

Helsinki, Dec. 6.

Making full use of the clear weather, Finnish bombers successfully raided the Murmansk aerodrome and destroyed about sixty planes. The Soviet airmen, it is reported, were taken completely by surprise and the bombs dropped by the Finns were so successful that not a single Soviet plane was able to take off in pursuit.

The task of invading Finland is entrusted to the Seventh Soviet Army, commanded by General Merejkov and comprising eleven tank divisions. Five Soviet divisions are massed in the Karelian Isthmus and four divisions are opposing Finnish troops north of Ladoga Lake, it is learned.

Military observers here say one of the chief objectives of the attacking forces is the railway linking Peisjaervi with Oulu on the Gulf of Bothnia and the branch line south-east to Port Vala, as this vital railway line commands the Gulf of Bothnia and the Ladoga Lake region at the same time. In the extreme north, Soviet troops comprise skiers from Kandala-sha, on the White Sea.

Well-informed circles here, stated that Soviet troops have penetrated 40 kilometres into Finland but sustained very substantial losses. Swedish sources estimate that half a million Soviet soldiers are engaged on all fronts and are opposed by 400,000 Finns.

Independence Anniversary

Important military operations took place in Finland today, the 22nd anniversary of the independence of the Finnish Reppublic, it was announced over the official radio station this morning.

Throughout the country, resistance against Soviet aggression continues with particular fervour. Reports reaching here from the various fronts, indicate that Soviet troops in all sectors were unable to make any headway as a result of the splendid resistance by Finnish forces.

Nearly all members of the Diplomatic Corps called on the President on the occasion of the national holiday.

The Cabinet and Parliament met last night when mesures were taken to secure the smooth running of all vital services in the country, particularly communications and supplies.

It was also learned today that Italian planes arrived here.

Soviets Use Dum-Dum Bullets

Positive proof is in the hands of the Finnish authorities that Soviet troops are using dum-dum bullets against Finnish defenders, says an official summary of military operations released here today.

In the Karelian Isthmus, the summary adds, 64 Soviet tanks have been destroyed, chiefly by land-mines. North of the Ladoga Lake, where Finnish artillery has been consistently active, eight Soviet tanks were destroyed. Soviet war prisoners revealed that some of them had only been in the army for three months and lacked extensive military training.

In referring to the use of dum-dum bullets, the summary states that most of the ammunition is prepared by the soldiers themselves, the points of the bullets being cut-off, thus laying the deadly lead-filling bare.

Reds Driving Near Sweden

Soviet troops in northern Finland turned their war machine toward the Swedish frontier and reached the village of Kuomolajaervi, 40 kilometres (25 miles) from the border. Their advance was achieved with great difficulty and they lost four machine-guns, two quick-firing field guns and suffered heavy losses in manpower and motorized units. Finnish forces withdrew yesterday from the village of Unsikirko, near the coast in the Karelian Isthmus, and Valkijaerli village to the north, it was reported. The Red Army increased pressure in the drive toward Suojaervi. Near the shores of Lake Ladoga, Finnish forces retreated fighting. They withdrew from the Salmi and Suolapi villages after inflicting heavy losses on the numerically overwhelming Soviet troops.

Finnish troops prepared strong defences in the Petsamo-Salmojaervi nickel mining region while the Red Army rushed reinforcements. Local reports said these would not prove sufficient for an effective attack on Petsamo. The Petsamo nickel mines, known throughout Europe, are not yet threatened.

The staff of the Finnish Legation in Moscow has been unable to leave the U.S.S.R. despite the combined efforts of the Finnish and Swedish Ministers. The whole staff of the Soviet Legation in Helsinki has left Finland already.

Finnish quarters had no doubt that Sweden would soon extend them material and moral help. If Sweden takes no definite and energetic measures to aid Finland, her prestige would be impaired and the danger over all Scandinavia increased.

Soviet Radio today attempted for the first time to broadcast Soviet propaganda reports on wave-lengths used by Finnish stations.—Havas.

Soviet Russian Claims

Moscow, Dec. 6.

The High Command of the Leningrad military district denied reports that 32 Soviet tanks were destroyed by Finnish troops. The report that sixteen Soviet planes were shot down since hostilities began was also denied, it being said that the Finns only destroyed two Soviet machines while eleven Finnish, planes were brought down over Soviet territory.

The Command of the Baltic fleet denies the Finnish claim that the cruiser Kirov and a Soviet destroyer were successfully shelled by Finnish artillery in Hango which, they pointed out, only have a range of 25 kilometres as against the 35 kilometres range of the guns of the Soviet cruiser.

Atrocity stories about the Finns and their cruel treatment of Soviet soldiers were featured in the Russian press yesterday.

The official "Izvestia" war correspondent reported that water used for drinking purposes was poisoned by the Finns and that there are 'strange-looking bubbles" in it. Ambushes are plentiful and Soviet soldiers cannot even walk alone to the back of the front lines without suffering the penalty. This correspondent added that notices had to be posted everywhere drawing attention to the numerous mines left behind by the Finns.

The "Krasnaia Zviesda" (Red Star), newspaper of the Soviet Army, went one further and reported that in the Petrozavodsk region, a Soviet scout captured by the Finns was tortured cruelly in questioning.

Foreign observers commented succinctly on this sudden flood of atrocity stories, pointed out that only a short while ago, Soviet newspapers themselves warned their readers against "atrocity yarns invented by the capitalist press."—Havas.

Big Russian Offensive

Rome, Dec. 6.

According to the Helsinki correspondent of "Il Popolo di Roma," the Russians launched a big offensive in the Karelia and Lake Ladoga district. Finnish warplanes, the correspondent adds, raided a Soviet airbase at Murmansk and destroyed 60 Soviet planes.—Reuter.

Reds Land at Petsamo Fjord

Oslo, Dec. 6.

Soviet warships yesterday were observed landing troops on both sides of the Petsamo Fjord, say reports from Kirkenes, near the Finnish-Norwegian frontier. The reports says the Finns made no attempt to stop the landings. It appears the Finns are awaiting the Russians at Petsamo, which is stated to be strongly fortified.—Reuter.

Mannerheim Line Approached

Moscow, Dec. 6.

The latest Soviet bulletin say the Red Army has advanced between 25 and 29 miles into the Karelian Isthmus. It appears that after five days of fighting the Soviet forces are only just within striking distance of the Mannerheim Line. Finland's principal system of fortifications.—Reuter.

Petsamo Bombed

Oslo, Dec. 5.

Three Soviet warplanes roared over the Great Canadian Nickel Company's mines in northern Finland today, dropped bombs over the region and damaged the village of Kolosuoki in the centre of the Canadian firm's holdings, independent Norsk Telegrambyra (Norwegian) news agency reported today. First despatches on the attack said actual damage done was not great. Anti-aircraft batteries retaliated but failed to bring any raider down.—Havas.

Mainill Incident Framed

London, Dec. 5.

Soviet troops in the Salmi region suffered heavy losses today and Finnish troops advanced both there and in the Karelian Isthmus.

Finnish political quarters here declared that the Risto Ryti Government may leave Helsinki shortly to continue from another, less accessible city.

Latest reports, Finnish and British quarters revealed this evening, showed how the Soviets had plotted and staged the Mainill incident, which precipitated Soviet aggression. After receiving orders from a horseman, soldiers in the Mainill vicinity left their post for another position. A few minutes later, the deserted post was shelled and destroyed. While in fact it was Soviet artillery which fired at the Soviet frontier post, the Kremlin placed responsibility on Finnish artillery batteries, claimed that thirteen Red Army soldiers and officers were killed or injured. Strong demands to Finland followed fast, and when these met with courteous but firm rebuttal on the grounds of lack of any proof whatever, the Soviet invasion began, it was pointed out here.—Havas.

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Yunnan Railway May Be Bombed

Questioned yesterday whether the Indo-China-Yunnan Railway might be bombed, the spokesman at yesterday's press conference inferred that if it was necessary to attack this line, the Japanese would do so without warning to the French authorities.

No agreement had been arrived at for protection of the line, inasmuch as it was Chinese-owned, but French capital had contributed to its construction. The Japanese had learned that Chungking were receiving munitions along this route. No notice would be given to the French authorities if bombing should take place.

Mr. Gandhi Asks for British Declaration

Clarification of Policy Purely Moral Issue

London, Dec. 6.

Mr. M. K. Gandhi yesterday asked for a declaration of Britain's policy toward India in a message to the "News-Chronicle."

"A declaration of Britain's policy regarding India," the Indian leader said, "is purely a moral issue, for the freedom-loving India has neither the will nor the capacity for armed revolution. Nevertheless it is her right to know Britain's will about her. I am even aware that Britain can impress men and money from India and treat her as a dependency, but she cannot get moral aid which would only come from an India conscious of her freedom.

"I am as anxious as a friend of Britain that she should come out victorious, not because of her superiority in the use of arms, but because her cause will be just all along the line. She will then have the true friendship and sympathy of millions of people all over the world who have become sick of the wanton waste of precious lives."—United Press.

THE CINEMA

"Second Fiddle"

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Roger Maxwell .....Rudy Vallee
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Jenny .....Minna Gombell
Skating Partner .....Stewart Reburn
Joe Clayton .....Spencer Charters
Voice of Chief .....Charles Lane
Specialty .....The Brian Sisters

The delightful spectacle of Miss Sonja Henie's graceful movements on skates, the charm of Mr. Tyrone Power, the vocalizing of that perennial favourite of the airways, Mr. Rudy Vallee, and above all, the tuneful melodies of that master of modern composers, Mr. Irving Berlin, combine to make "Second Fiddle," now playing at the Nanking, one of the most entertaining pictures to play here this year. Miss Henie is appealing in her role of the country school teacher who soars to Hollywood stardom, while Mr. Power plays his part of a Hollywood publicity agent with a breeziness that is refreshing. The producers have not been so kind to Mr. Vallee, who has appeared in far better roles than the rather dull-witted screen star he portrays in his latest film effort. Miss Mary Healy adds her pleasing singing voice to the film with, good effect, while the inimitable Miss Edna May Oliver is her usual cynical self. An animated cartoon and a Movietone news reel precede the feature attraction.—T.A.B.

Kuhn Imprisoned As "Small Time Forger"

Bund Leader's Witnesses May Face Perjury Charge

New York, Dec. 6.

Fritz Kuhn, leader of the German-American Bund, was sentenced to from 2½ to five years imprisonment by Judge James G. Wallace yesterday "not as a rabble rouser or hate dispenser, but as an ordinary small-time forger and thief."

After sentencing Kuhn, Judge Wallace recommended that the District Attorney institute Grand Jury action against Bund witnesses in Kuhn's defence for perjury. He said that these witnesses had given testimony before his court that was greatly at variance with testimony before the Grand Jury before the trial."

Fritz Kuhn, dressed in a dark business suit, paled as the sentence was read, but kept his shoulders squared and his head erect. His defence attorney indicated that he would seek to obtain a certificate of reasonable doubt from the Supreme Court permitting Kuhn to appeal. He said he would also ask the Bund leader's release from the Tombs on bail.—United Press.

British Woman Refuses To Pay City Govt. Tax

Members of the Special Municipality Police who were unsuccessful in their attempt to obtain taxes from Mrs. M. M. Cohen, British subject living at 7-C Tifeng Road, yesterday afternoon, threatened to arrest someone in the lady's household if the tax was not paid. When asked for the tax Mrs. Cohen told the Chinese policemen that she was British and that she was not going to pay and that they could take the matter up with the British Consul-General. After this rebuff the policemen left the scene with the threat to arrest some member of the household if the tax was not forthcoming.

Mr. Kennedy and Son Leave for New York

Lisbon, Dec. 6.

Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, United States Ambassador in London, and his son Jack, took off from here yesterday in a trans-Atlantic Clipper for New York. Mr. Kennedy will report to President Roosevelt in Washington on European developments.—United Press.

HE DARE NOT MOVE IN BED

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THERE will be a celebration of Holy Communion in the Bubbling Well Chapel today at 10.30 a.m.

MR. Max Friedman, of the China Motors, arrived from Hongkong on Tuesday in the ss. President Taft.

MR. Kenneth C. Krentz, U.S. Consul at Canton, arrived in the ss. President Taft on Tuesday from Hongkong.

MR. W. G. Newsome of the Yee Tsoong Tobacco Co., Ltd., returned from Hongkong in the ss. President Taft on Tuesday.

MR. A. J. Evans, H.B.M. Shipping Vice-Consul, has returned from home leave. Mrs. Evans is remaining at home for the present.

AMONG the passengers who arrived on Tuesday in the ss. President Taft were: Mr. and Mrs. F. Urbanek and Messrs. Ralph Moller and H. E. Gibson.

THE sale of "Scottie" knitting bags has now been completed, with a profit of $215.10 for the B.W.A. War Work Fund. Thanks are due to Mme. Greenhouse for ribbon and paper bags.

"THAT Wealth Is Not Essential To Happiness," will be proposed on the Foreign "Y" debating programme today at 9 p.m. Mr. J. Welch is proposing, and Mr. A. L. McCorkindale is opposing.

THE South Manchuria Railway Company's, Shanghai office, are showing films depicting conditions in Manchoukuo at the Ritz Theatre on Haining Road, yesterday and today, beginning at 7 p.m. according to the "Tairiku Shimpo."

ACCORDING to the November report of the French Municipal Fire Brigade 20 calls were received during the month, two of which were false alarms. The ambulance services transported 179 sick persons to the various hospitals and clinics in the Concession during the month.

SEVERAL foreign naval and military officers, as well as local consular officials, gathered at the Customs Jetty to bid bon voyage to Colonel and Mrs. J. C. Fegan, who sailed for the United States in the ss. President Taft yesterday afternoon. The marine band played "Auld Lang Syne" as the Fegans pulled away from the pontoon in the tender.

ARTICLES contributed by a number of "Old China Hands" are featured this year in the Christmas number of "The Shipping Review," which appears tomorrow. These include, "When the Confiding Radio is Silent," "Some Old Shanghai Characters," "Just a Surge of Memories," "Give the Merchant Service a Square Deal," etc. An original sketch by Capt. S.P. Jorgensen appears in this big issue.

MR. Glyn Hopkyn Rees, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hopkyn Rees, a former pupil of the Cathedral School for Boys, passed into the Royal Military College at Sandhurst prior to the outbreak of war, and is now gazetted as 2nd Lieutenant in the Queen's Royal Regiment, and attached to the Air Wing temporarily at Camberley for training. He expects to go to France at the end of the year.

AN exhibition of Scandinavian arts and crafts will be held in the French Club from 4 p.m. today till 7 p.m. tomorrow, in connection with the regular meeting of the Scandinavian Women's Association, which takes place at 4 p.m. today, when Mrs. R. Sundsbak will lecture on weaving. Members of clubs under the Joint Committee of Shanghai Women's Organizations are cordially invited.

CHINESE who have returned to Japanese defence areas north of Soochow Creek totalled 360,819, forming 36,977 households, at the end of November, according to figures released by the Japanese naval rehabilitation section, the "Shanghai Mainichi" said yesterday. The Japanese population in Shanghai on November 1 was 61,585, according to the Japanese consular police, added the paper.

LOCAL Chinese public bodies have sent a wire, conveying their condolences to the family of General Wu Pei-fu who died in Peiping on December 4, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." A high tribute to General Wu was paid by General Ho Ying-chin, Minister of War, in Chungking in a press interview, says another report to the same paper. General Ho warmly lauded his unwavering stand and the great service which he had rendered to his country by refusing to lend his good name to various Japanese schemes in spite of repeated invitations to accept a post in the "Provisional Government," the report concludes.

THE second annual soiree of the Royal Asiatic Society which is being held this afternoon from 5 to 7.30 o'clock in the Society's building at 20 Museum Road promises to be a most interesting social function. Tea will be served by the Ladies' Committee in the Auditorium, after which the President will introduce Dr. John C. Ferguson, a former President of the Society, who will deliver an address on the aims and accomplishments of the Society. This will be followed by motion pictures, some in colour, taken by Mr. Mark L. Moody, while on safari in Annam some years ago. There will also be an exhibition in the Auditorium of Mrs. J. Ely's delightful etchings.

DR. Alexander Piskor, famous Polish author and newspaperman, special Far Eastern correspondent of the Polish papers published in France and the United States, arrived in Shanghai yesterday for a brief stay. Dr. Piskor is at present collecting materials for his new book, dealing with the Far Eastern problems in connection with the present European War, to be published in the Polish and English languages in New York. Dr. Piskor is known to be one of the leading journalists in Europe. His brother, Lieut.-Gen. Tadeusz Piskor, was the Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Southern army in the battles of September last. After a short stay in the local Park Hotel, Dr. Piskor will proceed to Nanking.

Suit Against Army Driver Concluded

Judge Reserves Decision In Damage Case; Driver Avoided "Incident"

Hearing of a civil suit in which Mr. V. Chourlianis claims the sum of $2,780 from Driver James Swan, R.A.S.C., for damages sustained in an accident on the Garden Bridge on June 2 was concluded in H.M. Supreme Court before Assistant Judge P. Grant Jones yesterday. Judgment was reserved. In summing up for the defence, Mr. John McNeill contended that the plaintiff negligently stepped out into the roadway into the path of the Army lorry which Driver Swan was driving and that Swan did everything a careful driver could do to avoid the accident. Mr. McNeill asked that the claim be dismissed on the grounds that the plaintiff had not made a case and also requested that the claim for costs, entered by the plaintiff, be stricken out.

Mr. K. E. Newman, counsel for the plaintiff, contended that the onus of proof that the plaintiff did step to the right and into the path of the lorry rested on the defendant and maintained that the defendant driver was guilty of lack of judgment.

Dr. I. G. Anderson gave evidence yesterday that the plaintiff had been under his care in the hospital for ten days and that after leaving the hospital there was no reason for the plaintiff to stay in bed any longer. The doctor said that there was no necessity for the plaintiff to use crutches and that he should have been able to work within two weeks of July 13, when he last examined the plaintiff.

Driver Gives Evidence

Driver Swan entered the witness box and said that he was going over Garden Bridge about eight miles per hour. As he passed the first sentry box the saw the plaintiff on the left in the road, close to the near front wheel. Swan changed down into second to enable him to go slower and he followed directly behind the plaintiff. About two or three yards past the second sentry box the plaintiff suddenly stepped to the right and the driver immediately applied the brakes, the lorry stopping dead. There was a Chinese in front of the plaintiff and it seemed to the defendant that the plaintiff stepped to the right in order to pass the Chinese.

The left fender caught the plaintiff on the hip, said Swan, and flung him forward and sideways. The defendant immediately got out of the lorry and saw the plaintiff's leg pinned to the ground by the near wheel. The escort with Swan and a Japanese sentry helped to push the lorry back about two or three inches. A foreign police sergeant was on the scene and the police sergeant and the escort carried the plaintiff to the pavement. The plaintiff was put in the lorry and was driven to a hospital in Hongkew by Swan. The defendant said that he saw no damage to the plaintiff's clothes.

Swan said that he had been driving army lorries for two years and had been over Garden Bridge about 300 times. He had been driving that particular lorry for about six months and although it was a two-ton lorry it was not hard to manipulate.

International Incident

Cross-examined by Mr. Newman, the defendant said that he was going twice as fast as the plaintiff was walking. Mr. Newman produced a plan of Garden Bridge which showed the positions of the two sentry boxes but the defendant said that he did not think the plan was correct. The defendant admitted that the bridge sloped down near the second sentry box. "Could you have turned to the right?" asked Mr. Newman.

"Yes, and knock down the post (in the middle of the bridge) and cause an international incident with the Japanese," was the reply. The defendant said that the reason he did not blow his horn was because he was not allowed to blow the horn in front of the Japanese sentry. "I was checked for it once," he said, "a Japanese officer told me not to blow the horn. Asked if he had submitted a written report to the police the defendant replied in the negative but said he had reported to his own unit. This report was produced by Mr. McNeill but Mr. Newman objected to its being entered. Swan said that the lorry was equipped with four-wheel hydraulic brakes. He said that there was plenty of room between the vehicle and the Japanese sentry box.

Pte. Samuel Hewitt, R.A.S.C., was the next witness. Pte. Hewitt said that he was on duty on the ration lorry with Driver Swan and was sitting in the left hand seat beside the driver. Hewitt reiterated Swan's evidence that the plaintiff had suddenly stepped out from amongst the Chinese and onto the near side front mud-wing. He said that the plaintiff was struck on the right hip.

Japanese Woman is Slain in Hongkew

Woosung Road Murder Committed During Night

An elderly Japanese woman, Mrs. Kakeshita, was discovered murdered in her bedroom in Hongkew late on Tuesday evening and the crime was reported to the Settlement Police at 1 o'clock yesterday morning.

Mrs. Kakeshita, whose age was given as over 60 years, retired to her house, 72 Nee Fong Li, off Woosung Road, at about 6 p.m. on Tuesday. When she was next seen she was lying dead inside her bedroom door, a bullet wound in her head. The body was discovered at 11 o'clock by a Japanese who boards in the house. He notified the Japanese authorities.

Only one shot had been fired, according to reports. The motive for the crime was not quite clear to investigators yesterday, although robbery appeared to be the most likely explanation. Besides the residential part, the house where the woman was murdered contains a pawnshop.

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U-Boat Crew Members Relieved from War Duty

Picture shows the arrival at unknown British port of a tug carrying members of the crew of a German U-Boat which will not go to sea again. Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, recently declared: "The U-boats may be safely left to the care and constant attention of the British Navy."

Whole Nation Mourns Death Of Marshal Wu Pei-Fu

Chungking Cables Condolences; Gen. Ho Ying-ching Indicts Eulogy; Loyalty of Late Warlord Praised

Peiping, Dec. 6.

THE death of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, China's warrior-poet, of septicaemia following an emergency operation on December 4, is widely mourned by the local Chinese. He was immensely popular among his fellow-countrymen and it was for this reason that the Japanese are said to have made repeated, but what appeared to have been entirely unsuccessful, efforts to enlist his support for the proposed new central government of China. Undoubtedly, Marshal Wu would have had a large following, especially in North China.

He was one of China's most picturesque warlords of the old days and was also one of the most strong-willed. It is understood that he had repeatedly and adamantly refused to associate himself with Japanese efforts to form a new central government in China, declaring on every occasion that all he wanted to do was to live in retirement in Peiping. Only recently, it was rumoured here that he had again refused to take a prominent part in the proposed new government.

Might Have Been Head

It was further rumoured that in the event of the failure of the Japanese efforts to set up Mr. Wang Ching-wei as head of the proposed new government, an attempt would have been made to try to induce Marshal Wu Pei-fu to take this post.

Since the beginning of the year, it was stated, Marshal Wu had been repeatedly approached by the Japanese. On one occasion, Mr. Wang Keh-min, head of the "Provisional Government" of Peiping, Mr. Wang Ching-wei and a high Japanese officer were said to have called at Marshal Wu's house, but he refused to see them on the pretext that he was "ill."

Around June, Marshal Wu was reported to have agreed to render "lip service to the Japanese-controlled régime but again refused it active support. His attitude, all along, had been regarded as uncertain.

At the beginning of the year, according to local reports, the Japanese proposed to set up Marshal Wu as one of the heads of the "Anti-Communist National Salvation Association," giving him an army of 400,000 Chinese, but his stock answer was said to have been: "First, Japanese troops must be withdrawn."

Influenced by Chungking?

It is even reported locally that Marshal Wu had been secretly influenced by Chungking, but this must be classified as a rumour.

Marshal Wu, it is the general opinion here, was a patriotic Chinese, despite certain differences with the Central Government. His death is regarded in some circles here as making more difficult the Japanese effort to set up a central government, despite the statement of a local English language daily, which is strongly pro-Japanese in tone, that Marshal Wu Pei-fu was to have headed the "military section of the new central government under Mr. Wang Ching-wei."

Marshal Wu, according to a statement made by his secretary this morning, left no will whatever.—Reuter.

Chungking Sends Condolences

Chungking, Dec. 6.

Chinese official and public circles, as will as the Chinese press, unanimously mourn the passing of Marshal Wu Pei-fu.

The Chinese newspapers today pay tribute to the former warlord for his "stubborn refusal to serve the Japanese despite the strongest pressure."

After telegraphing condolences to the family and relatives of the Marshal, General Ho Ying-ching, the War Minister, in a statement published here today, declares that Marshal Wu Pei-fu had always been unshakable in his convictions and had persistently turned down Japanese offers to form a new government.

"Even at the time when I was in Peiping, handling the North China military affairs," the statement continues, "the Japanese repeatedly attempted to make use of Marshal Wu Pei-fu to form a new régime, but the Marshal never yielded to pressure or persuasion, and this attitude of his remained unchanged during these eventful years.

"The Marshal's integrity of character became even more inviolable as he advanced in years, and his death is a national loss."

Under the title "Our National Hero, Marshal Wu Pei-fu" the "Central Daily News," official organ of the Chinese Government, after dwelling on the "obscure circumstances" of the Marshal's death, declares: "Marshal Wu Pei-fu was a failure in his past political and military undertakings, but he will always be known in Chinese history as one who lived a successful life.

"Marshal Wu Pei-fu's struggle against the difficult conditions in Peiping," the paper adds, "contrasts clearly with the shameful behaviour of traitors and puppets, and demonstrates the power of strength, righteousness and bravery."

The "China Times," in an editorial today, states that Marshal Wu Pei-fu represented the cardinal Chinese virtue of loyalty.—Reuter.

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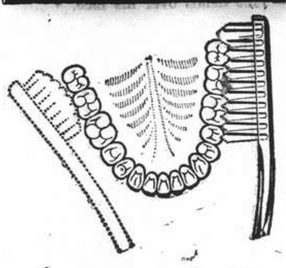

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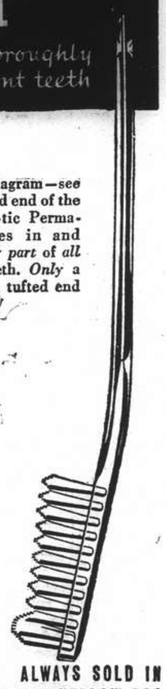

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Pirates of Wulin Were Guerillas

Hunger-Crazed Band of 40 Staged Attack on Steamer To Obtain Provisions

The band of pirates who attacked he Butterfield & Swire coastal steamer Wulin in the Yangtze Delta on the morning of December 1 were Chinese guerillas, the "North-China Daily News" learned yesterday. The band, about forty in number, were well armed, having in their possession four machine guns in addition to lighter weapons. The guerillas had been operating in the vicinity of San Ho Kwang in the Yangtze Delta and were desperately in need of food.

In order to obtain provisions they resorted to piracy, picking on the ss. Wulin which, ironically enough carried a cargo of cotton. The attack was staged at 3.20 a.m. when the guerillas surrounded the steamer in sampans, junks and other small craft. While machine guns blazed away at the ship the pirates boarded the vessel being resisted by the ship's Russian guards and the officers.

The defenders were forced to retire to the bridge deck where they defied onslaught after onslaught from the hunger-driven invaders. At daybreak the tide of battle turned in favour of the courageous little group of defenders and the pirates were forced to retire, leaving two of their group lying on the deck. One of these was dead while the other was seriously wounded in three places.

Leader Killed

According to reports, the dead man was the leader of the guerillas and the man who had directed the attack on the steamer. The wounded man was transferred to the British gunboat Gnat on duty in the Yangtze Delta. An armed escort of bluejackets were placed on board the Wulin and the vessel continued its trip to Shanghai. The wounded guerilla was later handed over to the River Police by the British Navy.

It is not expected that the wounded guerilla will be brought to trial as his condition is extremely serious. He is not expected to live long enough to face a judge. The guerilla band had been hard pushed by the Japanese forces in the area of San Ho Kwang and had grown desperate in their need for food.

Finland's National Day Celebrated

Finland's national day, on which is observed the regaining of the country's independence after the Great War, was celebrated quietly in Shanghai yesterday in view of the hostilities at present under way in Finnish territory. There was a reception held at the Finnish Consulate-General yesterday evening at which members of the Finnish community gathered. Other celebrations were cancelled.

J.R.C. President to Be Ballotted For

Mr. S. Yada Heads Early Voting List

A campaign for election of a President of the Japanese Residents' Corporation for the next term was started with a committee meeting at the Nippon Club on Tuesday, according to the "Tairiku Shimpo."

As a result of ballots cast by 20 committee members Mr. Shichitaro Yada, Managing Director of the Toa Dobunkai, which is operating Tung Wen University, received eleven votes, the highest; Mr. Gengo Yasui, former President of the J.R.C., 6; Mr. Masusaburo Amano, present President of the J.R.C., 2; Mr. Yukichi Hayashi, President of the Federation of Amalgamated Japanese Street Unions, 2; and Mr. Itsuji Hishida, Chairman of the J.R.C. Assembly, 1.

However, these votes do not mean the election of the person who obtained the highest number, the paper said. Formal selection of a President and Vice-President will be made at a meeting to be held on Thursday, after which there will be a mass meeting of Japanese resident for the installation of the President on December 16, the day following expiration of the term of Mr. Amano, added the paper.

Chinese Shot in Leg During Robbery

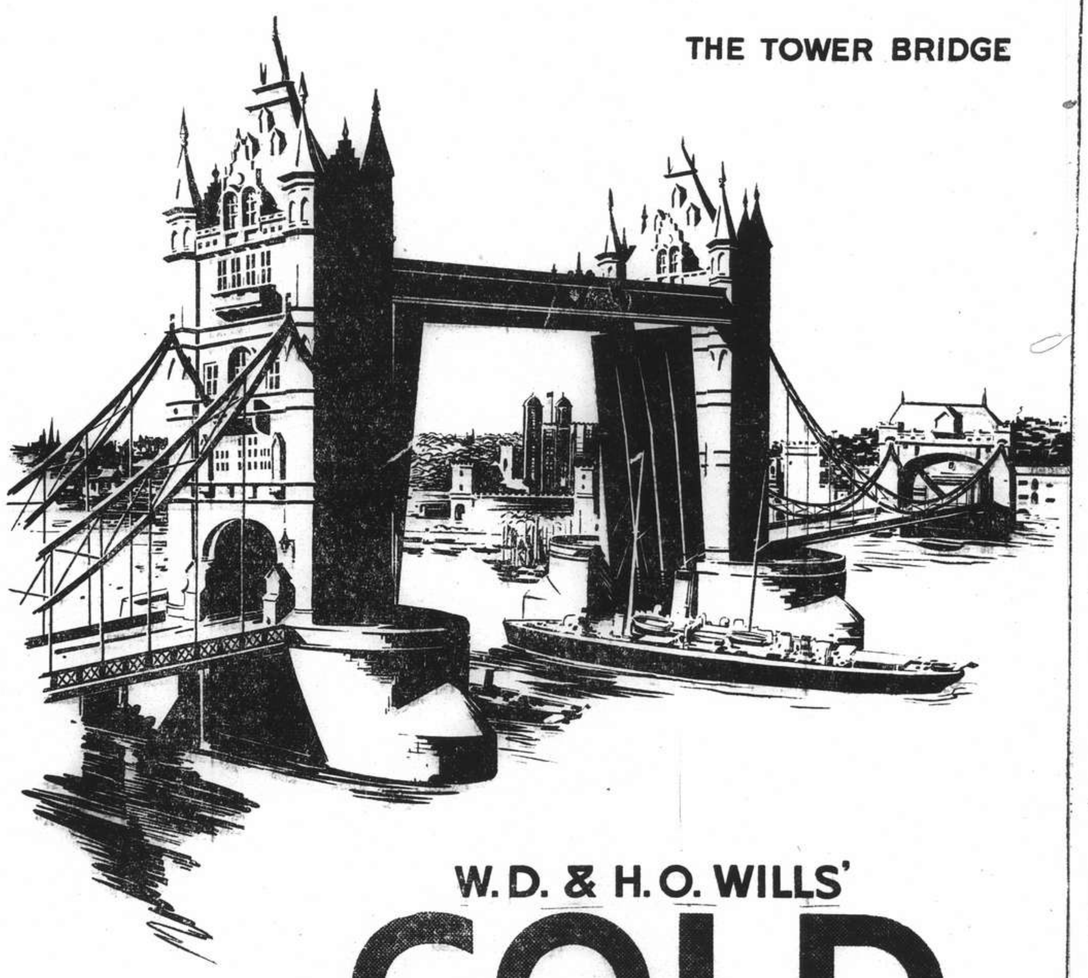
A Chinese was shot through the right thigh shortly after 7 o'clock yesterday morning at House 20, Lane 486 Jessfield Road, in extra-Settlement territory, during a robbery. The wounded man was conveyed to St. Luke's Hospital No. 2 in a Fire Brigade ambulance.

Welding Set Explodes; Worker Killed

A Chinese worker in the Wah Yang dyeing and weaving factory, 1457 Ferry Road, was killed outright when an acetylene welding set which he was using exploded in his hands early yesterday afternoon.

Famous Landmarks

THE TOWER BRIDGE



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Money & Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

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BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 9/16	$ 52.60
U.S. $100 @ 7 7/16	$1,344.54

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 11/16	$ 51.20
U.S. $100 @ 7 11/16	$1,300.81
London—demand	4 11/16
4 months' sight credits	4¾
4 months' sight docts	4 13/16
6 months' sight credits	4 25/32
6 months' sight docts	4 27/32
New York—demand	U.S. $7 11/16
4 months' sight credits	7¾
4 months' sight docts	7⅞

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling .... 4 19/32 U.S. $7 19/32
Hongkong/London 1/2 31/32

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders	Buying	14⅜
Java Guilders	"	14¼
Netherlands Guilders	Selling	13⅞
Java Guilders	"	13¾

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying U.S.$100=$1,311.475 £1=$51.54
Selling U.S.$100=$1,344.537 £1=$52.602

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.45=$1 Belgas 23.40=£1

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 1.47=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.33=$1
Tourist Lire 1.63 ....$1

Hua Hsing Commercial Bank

Sterling	Selling Rate	@ 6d.	per	H.H.$ 1
"	Buying "	@ 6 1/32	"	H.H.$ 1
U.S.$	Selling "	@ 9¾	"	H.H.$100
"	Buying "	@ 10⅛	"	H.H.$100

LOCAL DOLLAR (FAPI)

Selling Rate	@ 128	per H.H.$100
Buying "	@ 133	" H.H.$100

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	4⅝	4 19/32
U.S. G.$	7 7/16	7 13/32
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

Selling Cash		Buying December	
£ T.T.	4 9/16	4 m/s. l.c.	4 23/32
G.$ T.T.	7 7/16	4 m/s. l.c.	7⅝
Fcs. T.T.	336	4 m/s.	350
Rs. T.T.	25½	15 d/s.	26⅛

BAR SILVER

	Ready	For'd
London pence per std. oz.	23⅝	23 9/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	62.06	—
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London silver was ⅛ down both ready and forward, being 23⅝ for ready and 23 9/16 forward. New York was unchanged at 34¾ and Bombay was 4 Rupees and 10 annas down at 62.06.

It was reported there was a little speculative selling. The market was quietly steady.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 9/16 sterling and 7 7/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was quiet with very much narrower fluctuations than have occurred recently. Opening with sellers at 4 19/32 sterling and 7 13/32 U.S.$ rates advanced to 4⅝ sterling and 7 15/32 U.S.$ and a small business was done in U.S.$ at 7 9/16 after which the market relapsed to the opening rates. At the close there were sellers at:—

4 19/32	sterling	7 13/32	U.S.$	Cash
4 19/32	"	7 7/16	"	Dec.
4 9/16	"	7 7/16	"	Jan.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on: Dec. 5.

Japan	81⅜	London	1/5 15/16
New York	333	2 mths	
Shanghai	28	" (sellers)	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	85½	" (buyers)	1/6 1/16
		Japan	
		" (sellers)	83⅞
		" (buyers)	82⅞

London & Sterling T·T. on:

New York	402.00	Shanghai	4¾d
Paris	176.00	Bombay	1/6 1/32*
Berlin	—	Hongkong	1/3 1/32*
Amsterdam	7.52	Singapore	2/4 1/32*
Brussels	24.15	Yokohama	1/2 17/32
Madrid	38.50*	" (buying).	1/2 1/16
Milan	76.25	Prague	—
Berne	17.80		

*—Unofficial Rates.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Montreal	87.000
Spain	9.95	Brazil	5.10
Holland	53.09½	Japan	23.49
Paris	2.21¼	Shanghai	7.50
Brussels	16.52½	Hungary	17.60
Italy	5.05	Rumania	0.73
S'zerland	22.42½	Yugo Slavia	2.35
Sweden	23.82	Greece	0.72½
Norway	22.72	Bulgaria	unq.
Denmark	19.32	Finland	1.90

London	3.90⅜
" Demand	3.89½
" Bankers' 60 days bills	3.89½
" Commercial 60 day bills	3.89½
Buenos Aires Paper,	Unq.
" " market rate	22.95
Montreal on London	4.48 15/16

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Dec. 5.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/32%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0½%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B 0½%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Final Dividend of Alma Estates

At a board meeting held yesterday the directors decided to recommend to shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting the payment of a final dividend of one dollar and fifty cents per share.

The profit for the year was Ch.$186,354.27 which when added to the sum brought forward from last year makes the amount available for appropriation Ch.$216,861.83, out of which an interim dividend of 50 cents per share has been paid and there remains the sum of Ch.$181,861.85 which the directors recommend be dealt with as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of Ch.$1.50 per share making a total of Ch.$2.00 per share for the year ended September 30, 1939	$105,000.00
Pay the secretaries a commission of 2 per cent. on total dividends	2,800.00
Write off replanting account	22,381.01
Carry to reserve account	22,027.97
Carry forward to new account	29,652.87
	Ch.$181,861.85

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Interest in the market yesterday was centred almost entirely in two stocks, New Engineering and Ewos. On the good showing made by Shanghai Dockyards, New Engineering opened firm at 19.50 improving immediately to 19.90 at which figure they met heavy profit taking, thereafter holding steady at 19.60. Ewos on the reports of extremely good earnings moved from 24.30 to 25. Strong buyers appeared at the close at 24.90.

Very little business was done in Rubbers though shares are being quickly taken off the market by shrewd investors.

Official Averages

1939 High	Low		Today's Averages	Changes
223.03	105.32	General	203.84	+0.80
275.58	95.55	Rubbers	265.32	—0.45

Total 103,942 shares, 330 bonds.

Morning Session

China Realty 8% Tael Debs.					3000	86.00
	15000	*86.00	2000	85.50		
Power 5½% Debs.					1000	*86.50
	12000	86.50				
I. I. Trust			2000	9.75	1000	9.70
Yangtsze Finance					500	*8.95
Int. Assurance					500	9.00
S'hai Land			500	10.60	2500	10.70
	500	†10.70	500	*10.70		
New Eng. (Ord)			2500	19.50	500	19.60
	600	19.70	900	*19.70	300	19.60
	1200	19.70	500	*19.70	400	†19.70
	1200	19.80	500	*19.90	2300	19.90
	400	20.00	1100	19.90	300	19.80
	100	*19.90	400	19.80	300	19.70
	300	*19.70	2400	19.80	600	*19.90
	1200	19.80	800	19.70	500	19.60
	200	*19.70	100	19.70	200	19.60
	100	*19.60				
S'hai Dock					100	210.00
Wheelock			100	*71.00	1000	*71.50
	400	71.50				
Telephone			1800	22.75	1100	22.50
Tram (Bearer) £1					200	*39.75
Metal			100	*18.60	1600	18.60
	100	18.50	200	*18.60	100	18.60
Kaiping					100	43.00
Lumber					100	30.00
Exploration			500	9.05	2000	9.00
	2000	8.95				
Power (Pref)					10	125.50
Ewo Mills (Ord)			200	24.40	1400	24.30
	300	*24.30	3500	24.40	500	*24.40
	500	*24.50	1300	24.60	500	*24.80
	800	24.80	100	24.90	500	25.00
	1500	24.90	400	25.00	200	*24.90
	2000	25.00	200	*25.10	800	25.00
	800	24.90	300	25.00	500	24.90
	700	24.80	2300	24.90	1100	*24.90
	4100	25.00	500	*25.00	200	24.90
	1300	25.00	500	25.10	400	*25.10
	500	25.00				
Anglo Java			800	35.75	300	36.25
Chemor			1000	2.10	2000	2.12½
Kota					1000	4.75
Kroewoek					1000	2.00
Langkat			200	24.50	1100	24.25
	100	*24.25				
Repah			2000	0.95	3000	0.94
Rubber Trust			1000	*6.90	2000	6.95
Senawang					5000	*1.18
Kelantan					3000	0.54
Pahang					2000	4.00
Tebong					5000	1.08
Ziangbe					100	*24.75
Auto Palace			1000	*14.00	500	14.00
S. W. W. Fittings					2697	*1.55

ODD LOTS

Chemor	25	2.05
Ewo Mills (Ord)	49	24.20
Yangtsze Finance	100	8.80
S'hai Dock	30	*210.00
Kelantan	500	0.53
Int. Assurance	100	9.00
Wheelock	50	*70.50
Seremban	250	1.98
Tanah Merah	750	2.92½
Kota	350	4.65
Anglo Java	30	*36.25
I. I. Trust	200	9.80
S. W. W. "A" £20	3	*772.50
Int. Assurance	200	9.05
Langkat	50	24.00
S'hai Dock	33	209.00
Ewo Mills (Ord)	25	24.90

†—Cash.
*—Direct Business.

London Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 5.

The stock market ruled dull and heavy, owing to absence of support. Kaffirs were outstandingly firm on the announcement of some good November profits.

International issues were also quietly steady.—Reuter.

	Dec. 4	5
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£92⅜	92⅜
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	43½	45½
Japan 6% Stg. Loan 1924	51	53

Osaka, Dec. 6.

Kogo 5% Y.105.07

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	15/3	15/3
Armstrong Stevens	6/-	6/-
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	39/1	39/3
Austin Motors, ord.	17/6	17/6
Bristol Aeroplane	15/4XD	15/7
British American Tob.	91/10	91/3
Cable & W., new form	53¼	54½
Cammell Laird, ord.	6/6	6/6
Courtaulds	33/3	33/6
Distillers	65/-	65/4
Dunlop Rubber	27/9	27/3
General Elec. (Eng.'	75/1	75/6
Guinness (A) & Co.	84/-	83/6
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	15/7	16/3
Imp. Chem. Indus.	30/6	30/1
Imp. Tobacco	116/3	116/3
Leyland Motors	88/4	88/9
Marks & Spencer "A" ord	52/1	51/9
Pressed Steel, com.	14/7	14/7
Rolls-Royce	97/6	97/6
Smethwick Drop Forgings	13/3	13/3
Tate & Lyle	57/-	57/-
Turner & Newall	73/1	73/4
United Steel	21/6	21/4
Vickers, ord.	16/6	16/6
Woolworths	61/-	60/10
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo Dutch	27/9	27/9
Rubber Pltn. Inv. Trust	32/9	32/9
MINES		
Burma Corp.	12/1	12/4
Commonwealth Min.	Unq.	Unq.
Marsman Invests.	15/-	15/-
Randfontein Ests.	38/1	38/1
Sub-Nigel	201/3	201/3
Tanami Gold Min.	3d	3d
Western Holdings	10/9	11/3
OILS		
Anglo-Iranian	57/6	56/3
Burmah	60/7	61/10
Mexican Eagle	6/6	6/7
Shell Trans. & Trad.	81/3	80/7

XD—Ex dividend.

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£55	55
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	47	47
4½% Anglo-French Loan	50	50
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	27	27
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	38	38
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	12	12
5% Honan Rly., 1905	15	15
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	17	17
5% " " (Ger. is.)	16	16
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	20	20
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	14	14
5% " " G.	14	14
5% " " (Supl. Loan) B.	14	14
5% " " (Supl. Loan) G.	14	14
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	17	17
S'hai Elec. Construction	13/-	13/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	12	12
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	23	23
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8	8
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	81½	82
" " (Col. Reg.)	85	84
Mercantile Bank of India	11½	11½
Chinese Eng. & Min.	18/-	18/-
Chosen Corp.	6/6	6/6
Pekin Syndicate	—	—
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	21/6	20/7

Rubber Outputs for November

	lb.
Anglo-Dutch (Java) Plantations, Ltd.	108,246
Anglo-Java Estates, Ltd.	273,370
Java Consolidated Rubber and Coffee Estates, Ltd.	46,297
Kroewoek (Java) Plantations, Ltd.	79,366
Ziangbe Rubber Co., Ltd.	99,427

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 5.

Conditions on Wall Street improved moderately today, with stock values showing gains of from fractions to about one point. There was a little buying on the theory that the market was oversold, but profit taking restricted gains. A flood of generous year end dividend announcements aided sentiment.

However, the outlook is being clouded by sighs of the levelling off of business and industry, coupled with persistent foreign liquidation.

Meanwhile, tax-selling is increasing, but some sellers are already replacing with other stocks, indicating that an important setback to the market is not expected at present.

The volume of trading totalled 690,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	147.29	146.05	146.49	+0.15
20 Rails	31.80	31.47	31.63	+0.10
15 Util.	25.25	25.01	25.09	unch.
40 Bonds	—	—	89.31	[illegible]
11 Commod.	—	—	58.61	+0.94

	Dec. 4	5
Adams Express	8	8
Allegheny Ludlum Steel	21⅝	21½
Allied Stores	9⅜	9¾
Allis Chalmers	37¾	37¾
Aluminium Ltd.	102¼	101¼
Amer. Can	110	110¾
Amer. Cyanamid "B"	31⅜	31
Amer. & For. Power	2½	2⅝
" $7 pfd.	25⅝	26
Amer. Gas & Elec	37¼	37¼
Amer. Locomotive	20⅝	21¾
Amer. Metal	24½	24½
Amer. Radiator	9¾	9⅝
Amer. Rolling Mill	16⅛	16⅛
Amer. Smelting & Ref.	49½	49½
Amer. Sugar Refining	19½	19¾
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	168⅝	169¼
Amer. Tobacco "B"	81⅛	81½
Amer. Waterworks	11¼	11⅛
Anaconda Copper	*30¼	30⅜
Atchison T. & S. Fe	25⅝	25⅞
Auburn	3	3
Baldwin Locomotive	16⅞	16⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	5⅛	5¾
Barber Asphalt Corp.	15	15⅛
Barnsdall Oil Co.	12¼	12⅜
Bendix Aviation	28¾	29
Bethlehem Steel	79⅛	79⅝
Bliss (E.W.)	B 14½	B 14⅜
Boeing Airplane	21⅞	22
Borg Warner	24⅛	24¾
Briggs Mfg. Co.	22¼	22¼
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	13⅜	14
" $6 pfd.	47¼	48¾
Budd Mfg. (E.G.)	5½	5⅛
Can. Pacific Rly.	4¾	4½
Case J.I.	68	69¼
Celanese Corp.	25	26
Chase Nat. Bank	B 34¾	B 35
Chesapeake & Ohio	41	41½
Chrysler	85	85
Climax Molybdenum	45¾	45¾
Colt's Patent Fire-Arms	B 82½	82¾
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6¼	6⅛
" 6% "A" pfd.	B 84½	85
Coml. Credit	45¾	45⅞
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1⅜	1⅜
Consolid. Edson	30¼	30⅛
Consolidated Oil	7	7⅛
Continental Can	41	41
Continental Oil	23⅜	22⅞
" "A"	28⅜	28
Corn Products	63¼	62½
Curtiss Wright (com.)	10	10
Deere & Co.	21½	21¼
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16½	16⅞
Douglas Aircraft	74	74½
Du Pont de Nemours	177	177¼
Eagle Picher Lead	12	11¾
Eaton Mfg. Co.	28⅞	29
Elec. Auto Lite	37⅛	37⅛
Elec. Bond & Share	7¾	7⅝
" $5 pfd.	58	B 58⅝
" $6 pfd.	66¼	66
Elec. Pwr. & Lt.	B 29¼	29½
Flintkote	21	21⅛
Gen. Amer. Trans.	54¾	*53¾
Gen. Elec.	38¾	38⅜
Gen. Motors	52¾	52¾
Gen. Rly. Signal	18	18⅛
Gen. Tire & Rubber	22	22¼
Glidden Co.	17¾	18⅛
Goodrich (B.F.)	19½	19½
" $5 pfd.	64	B 64¼
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	23⅞	24
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	18	18¼
Great Nthrn. Rly.	26½	27⅛
Great Western Sugar	28⅛	28⅛
Greyhound Corp.	18½	18⅜
Hercules Power	87	87
Homestake Mn.	59⅜	60⅜
Int. Harvester	57¾	58½
Int. Nickel	37¼	36½
Int. Tel. & Tel.	4⅜	4½
Johns Manville	75	75½
Jones & Laughlin	B 67⅛	68½
Kennecott	38	38¼
Lakey Foundry & Machine	4	B 3⅞
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	49¼	49½
Lockheed Aircraft	30⅛	30
Loew's Inc.	33⅛	33¼
Mack Trucks	28	28½
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	38⅝	39
McKesson & Robbins	B 17	B 16⅞
Monsanto Chemical	104	104
Montgomery Ward	53⅝	53½
Nat. Aviation	11½	11¾
Nat. City Bank	B 27¼	B 27½
Nat. Dairy Products	15¾	16
Nat. Distillers	24	23⅞
Nat. Gypsum	11½	11⅝
Nat. Lead	21⅛	21
Nat. Power & Lt.	8¼	8⅛
Nat. Steel Corp.	70½	70⅜
Nat. Supply Co.	8⅞	8⅞
Niagara Hudson Power	6⅝	6⅝
New York Central	17⅞	18⅛
North Amer. Aviation	23¾	23⅞
North Amer. Co.	23	*22⅞
Northern Pacific	9¼	9¼
Owens-Illinois-Glass	65⅛	64½
Pacific Gas & Elec.	32⅝	32¼
Pacific Lighting	47¾	47½
Packard Motors	3½	3⅝
Paramount Pictures	7¾	7⅝
Pennsylvania R.R.	22	21⅞
Phelps Dodge	38⅝	38⅛
Phila. & Reading Coal	B 0½	B 0½
Phillips Petroleum	40	40
Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	B 8½	B 8¾
Public Serv. of N.J.	39	39¼
Pullman Inc.	32⅞	32⅞
Pure Oil	8⅜	8½
Radio Corp. of Amer.	5¾	5⅞
Readng Co.	16½	16½
" 1st pfd.	B 25½	25¼
Remington Arms Co.	B 4½	B 4¾
Republic Aviation	5⅞	5¼
Republic Steel Co.	22⅜	22¼
Revere Copper & Brass	14⅞	14⅞
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	39⅝	39
Richfield Oil	8⅞	8⅞
Safeway Stores	*47¼	47⅝
Schenley	13⅜	13¼
Sears Roebuck	79⅜	79⅛
Shell Union Oil	12½	12⅛
Socony-Vacuum	12¼	12
Sthrn. Pacific	15	14⅜
Sthrn. Rly.	33	33½
Sperry Corp.	42¼	43¼
Spicer Mfg.	B 29½	B 30¼
Stand. Brands	5½	5⅝
Stand. Gas & Elec.	2½	2⅜
Stand. Oil of Calif.	25⅜	25
Stand. Oil of N.J.	44⅞	44⅜
Swift International	30⅛	30⅜
Stone & Webster	11½	11⅝
Studebaker	8⅜	8½
Technicolor	12¼	12
Texas Corp.	44½	44½
Texas Gulf Sulphur	33⅜	33¼
Transamerica	6⅜	6⅜
Tw. Century Fox Film,	12⅝	12½
" " pfd.	B 23¼	B 23¼
Un. Carbide & Carbond	86	67
Un. Pacific	98	99
Un. Aircraft	43¾	43½
Un. Air Lines Trans.	13⅞	14⅜
Un. Corp.	2⅜	2⅜
" $3 cum. pfd.	38½	38¾
Un. Gas Corp.	1⅞	1⅞
Un. Gas Improvement	14⅛	14⅜
U. S. Indus. Alcohol	B 21½	22
U. S. Rubber	37¾	38
" 8% n-c pfd.	111	110⅛
U. S. Steel	66	66⅛
Vanadium	32	33
Walworth	5⅞	B 5¾
Warner Bros. Picts.	3¾	3⅞
Westinghouse Elec.	108⅛	110
Woodward Iron	B 24½	B 24½
BONDS		
Amer. & For. Power	61½	61½
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	24⅝	24¾
Brazil	18½	18½
Brazil (U.S. of) 6½% 1957	13⅞	14⅛
Cities Serv. Pwr.	85¼	85
Erie R.R.	14¼	14⅜
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	47⅛	45¼
New England Gas & Elec.	65¾	65
Republic of Colombia	31⅛	31¼
Republic of Colombia	31½	31¼
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	48½	49
Stand. Gas & Elec.	B 67	69¼

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCK

	Nov. 28	Dec. 5
Alaska Juneau	6⅞	6⅞
Amer. Brake Shoe	45⅜	45½
Amer. Hide & Leather	4⅜	5⅜
A.P.W. Paper Co.	B 2½	B 2½
Ass. Gas & Elec.	5¼	B 5⅛
Atlan. Gulf & W.	B 16½	B 15
Atlan. Refining	21⅞	21⅛
Atlas Corp.	8¼	8⅛
Bank of Montreal	210	210
Bellanca Aircraft Corp.	7½	6⅞
Callanhan Zinc & Lead	1⅛	1½
Com. & Sthrn. $6 cum. pfd.	66¼	66⅞
Colorada Fuel & Iron,	B 6½	B 6¼
Consolid. Aircraft	27¼	26½
Coml. Solvents	12⅞	13¼
Consumers Pwr.	B 100½	B 101⅛
Cont. Roll & Steel Fdry.	7½	7½
Coty Inc.	4½	4½
Coty Int.	B 1⅛	1⅛

U.S. Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 5.

Cotton prices early declined on "spot" house and southern hedge selling, which offset some trade buying. Later, the market reacted further on liquidation, while the cut in the Government export subsidy was a dampening influence. At the close, conditions were irregular, with quotations ruling from 4 points down to 2 points up, compared with the previous final levels.

Quiet but firm conditions prevailed in the market for raw rubber futures, with traders adopting a waiting attitude pending developments. Some liquidation was met by shorts covering. At the last call-over, quotations were from 8 points down to 10 points up.

Firm conditions were witnessed in the Chicago Wheat pit, as reports of continued dry weather being experienced in the droughty southwest caused shorts to cover. The small winter wheat crop was also a sustaining factor. At the final bell, gains of from 2⅜ to 3 cents were registered.

New York Cotton

Dec.	10.14-14	+02
Jan.	10.07-03	—01
Mar.	9.86-87	—01
May	9.55-55	—01
July	9.25-25	+02
July (N.C.)	9.45 N.	+02
Oct. (N.C.)	8.78-78	—04
Dec. (N.C.)	Unq.	—

New York Rubber

Mar.	18.65-68	+03
May	18.15-20	+05
July	17.85-85	+10

N. Y. Sugar No. 4

Mar.	1.57-58 B/A	unch.
May	1.58½-59 B/A	+01
Sept.	1.62½-64 B/A	+½

N. Y. Silk No. 1

Dec.	3.64½-65 B/A	+17

Chicago Wheat

May	92½-92¾	+2¾
July	90⅛-90⅜	+3

Chicago Corn

May	55½-55⅝	+⅞

Winnipeg Wheat

May	83⅜-83⅜	+2⅞

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Rubber Companies Forward Sales

Messrs. A. R. Burkill & Sons, Ltd., advise that the undermentioned companies, have sold forward approximately one-third of the exportable quota for January/February/March 1490 at 37⅛ Straits cents per lb.

Bute Plantations (1913), Ltd.
Consolidated Rubber Estates (1914) Ltd.
Dominion Rubber Company, Ltd.
Kota Bahroe Rubber Estates (1921) Ltd.
Shanghai Pahang Rubber Estate, Ltd.
Sungei Duri Rubber Estate, Ltd.
Padang Rubber Company, Ltd.
Shanghai Kedah Plantations, Ltd.
Tanah Merah Estates (1916) Ltd.

Kelantan Estates Forward Sales

The Shanghai Kelantan Rubber Estates Ltd., announce that one-third of their exportable quota for January to March 1940 has been sold forward at 37⅛ Straits cents per lb.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Dec. 6	Bid Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing
Atoks	.19	.195 S
Antamok	0.16 S	.16 S
Baguio Gold	.155 S	.16 S
Batong Buhay	.012 S	.012 S
Big Wedge	.21	.21
Coco Grove	.205 S	.205 S
Consolidated Mines	.0025	.003 S
Demonstration	.0775 S	.0775
East Mindanao	.0875 S	.0875 S
I. X. L.	.43 S	.43 S
Ipo Gold	.15	.155
Itogon	.29 S	.29 S
Mambulao Consolidated	.015	.015
Masbate Consolidated	.11 S	.11 S
Mine Operations	.09	.09
North Camarines	.175 S	.175 S
Paracale Gumaus	.185	.185
San Mauricio	.86 S	.85 S
Surigao Consolidated	.17	.17
Suyoc	.145 S	.145 S
Syndicate Investment	.019	.020 S
United Paracale	.285 S	.285 S
Mindanao Motherlode	.085 S	.085 S

Turnover for the Morning: 164,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (Morning Session) 78.89.
S—Sales.—Reuter.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Dec. 5.

The volume of business was rather small today. The market opened fairly firm in most sections. At the close the trend became irregular and many stocks declined somewhat.—Havas.

Crown Zellerbach	15⅜	16¼
Delaware & Hudson	24	23¾
Elec. Boat Co.	15⅜	15⅛
Elec. Power & Lt.	7⅜	7
Erie Rly.	1⅞	1⅝
Gen. Foods	46⅜	46¼
Int. Paper & Power	12½	13
Lorillard	23¾	23⅜
Mountain City Copper	4¼	4⅛
Mueller Brass	B 23¼	B 23⅜
Nash Kelvinator	6⅝	6⅜
Nat. Power & Lt.	87	88¾
Poor Mfg. "B"	11¾	11⅛
Rayonier Inc.	16⅜	16
Royal Bank of Canada	190	190
Schenley 5½% pfd.	B 75	74
Scott Paper	48	46¼
Scovill Mfg.	33	32
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	27⅛	27⅛
Sthrn. Rly.	19⅝	19¼
Sterling Prods.	76	76¼
Texas Pacific Land Trust	5¾	6
Tidewater Ass. Oil	10½	10¼
Timken Detroit Axle	21⅝	22
Un. Light & Power "A"	1¼	1¼
U. S. Pipe & Fdry.	36¾	36⅝
U. S. Realty & Imp.	1¼	1½
U. S. Smelt. Ref.	62¾	64½
Westinghouse Air Brakes	27½	27⅛
Yellow Truck & Coach "B"	18¾	18⅜
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	46½	47⅛

WEEKLY CLOSING BOND

	Nov. 27	Dec. 4
Anglo-Chilean Nitrate	38½	38
Argentine	75⅛	77⅝
Bethlehem Steel	105¼	104½
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	81¼	82¼
Chic, Milwaukee, St.	7¼	7⅛
Columbia Gas & Elec.	104¼	103¾
Denver & Rio Grande	9	8½
Elec. Power & Lt.	79	78¼
Minas Geraes	B 8⅞	B 8½
Mortgage Bank	B 26⅝	B 25½
Nat. Power & Lt.	107¼	106½
" " "A"	112	111½
New England Power Ass.	99½	99
New York, Chic. & St.	73½	74
Oslo	91	80⅛
Peru 6s 1961	9	B 8½
Republic Steel	94	94⅛
Rio Grande de Sul	8½	B 7½
Sao Paulo	8⅛	B 7
Sthrn. Rly.	78⅛	77⅛
Studebaker Conv.	95½	95¼

B—Bid *Ex dividend.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices recovered yesterday's small losses in a session of more active trading. The list presented a few features including a ten point rise in the inactive Albany Susquehanna Railroad a 4⅛ point rise in Engineers Public Service, 6 per cent., preferred, and 2½ point decline in Norfolk and Western. Experts estimated that the wheat crop has reached a new low for many years, thus stimulating a rise.

Manganese Orders As Precaution

U.S. Stresses Importance Of Ore as No. 1 Strategic War Material

Used as a deoxidizer and desulphidizer in steel making, manganese is considered by American military men to be strategic raw material No. 1. Ores are found in at least twenty States, but they are of low grade and in the past have been almost impossible to use economically under ordinary conditions. American production never has regained its 1918 figure of 305,000 tons, being only 25,727 tons last year, states the "New York Times" of October 29.

The Soviet Union, with high-grade deposits, is the world's greatest ore producer. In 1937 it turned out 2,700,000 tons, against 1,069,472 for British India, 631,194 for South Africa, 535,495 for the African Gold Coast, 253,661 for Brazil, 186,320 for Egypt and 131,299 tons for Cuba, a newly developed producer. Commercial ores generally run 48 to 52 per cent. manganese and one ton of the finished product is used in 160 tons of steel.

Concern of the Defense Forces

With steel-making speeded up in the belligerent nations and with the world's greatest supplies in areas difficult to reach in time of trouble, the United States Navy and Army are placing renewed emphasis on domestic self-sufficiency in manganese. Cuba last year supplied only 27 per cent. of our needs. Since September 1, Russian ore has not reached this country, giving rise to the assumption that Germany is getting it. However, early in October Moscow entered a surprise bid to supply the United States Government with 200,000 tons for stock-pile purposes. Many restrictions accompanied the offer, however, and its acceptance remains in doubt.

In the last two weeks, in response to a request for offers from the procurement division of the Treasury, operating under the Strategic Materials Act, seven domestic producers entered bids, among them the Domestic Manganese and Development Corporation of Butte, Mont., and the Greenbrier Mining Company of Charleston, W. Va. Moreover, the Bureau of Mines, which has been experimenting for some years with various processes, announced last week that the problem is nearing solution.

Development in Cuba

Production of manganese within the American defense zone has been aided considerably by the group of American business men who, since 1931, have invested more than $4,000,000 in the Cuban-American Manganese Corporation, a subsidiary of the Freeport Sulphur Company. Most of the money went to develop a flotation process to produce concentrates from the relatively low-grade Cuban ore. At the end of last year this process had succeeded in placing Cuba in direct competition with the low-cost producers in other parts of the world.

With domestic demand for manganese ore in this country more than 900,000 tons annually and with Cuba, Brazil and the United States doing little better than 500,000 tons, the anxiety of Washington authorities for adequate home supplies is understandable. Germany, it may be recalled, was greatly handicapped in the late months of the World War by exhaustion of its manganese and its consequent inability to produce high-grade steel.

Germany Lays in Supplies

Apparently Germany has decided not to repeat that mistake. In 1937 and 1938 it commenced laying in a substantial reserve. Statistics of the Imperial Institute, London, showed that in 1937, the last year available, the Reich imported 545,417 tons of the ore, against 226,007 tons in 1936. Much of that ore was from Africa, a source now closed. It is understood that German producers have been placing considerable sized orders with the Soviet Union. Costs will be high, for shipments will have to go by rail rather than water.

Britain's Supplies

England imported 240,344 tons in 1936 and 233,458 in 1937. France imported 414,687 tons in 1936 and 484,633 tons in 1937. England has depended primarily on British India, second largest producer of the world, the African Gold Coast and the Union of South Africa. So long as she retains control of the sea lanes Britain stands in no danger of a shortage.

Africa and India have been our major suppliers as well, but our requirements will naturally be secondary to those of Great Britain and France. War needs mean greater production of steel and greater production of steel necessitates greater use of manganese.

A simple illustration of this appears from steel industry figures in this country. In 1936, when we turned out 47,513,000 tons of steel, we imported 846,645 tons of manganese. In 1937, steel production was 50,250,000 tons, importation of manganese 974,429 tons. The ratio in the former year was one ton of manganese ore to fifty-six of steel, in the latter year one to fifty-two. Taking the latter figure and assuming a continuance of an 85 per cent operating ratio for the steel industry (which would be modest in the event of trouble), this country will need 1,160,000 tons of manganese ore. Capacity operation would bring our needs at least to 1,380,000 tons. Figures used in this paragraph are not exact, because the trifling American domestic output of the ore has been omitted.

Winter Wheat Crop Estimate

Chicago, Dec. 6.

Private crop experts today estimated the average 1940 wheat crop would be 389,000,000 bushels, the smallest since 1933 and with that exception the smallest since 1917.—United Press.

Margin Requirements

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with rule No. 33 (a) on margin and the extension of credit of the rules and regulations of the New York Cotton Exchange, initial requirement per bale of Cotton is U.S. $5, but whenever the price at which a transaction is made is in excess of 10 cents per pound, the initial margin requirement shall be equal to an additional $2.50 per bale for each 5 cents or portion of 5 cents in excess of 10 cents per pound. Under this rule the initial margin on Cotton from 10 cents per pound to 15 cents per pound is U.S. $750.

British Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 5.

In the commodity markets, shellac advanced strongly in sympathy with advices from Calcutta, coupled with a good "spot" demand.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 11 5/16 —1/16; sellers 11⅜ +1/16; Jan. delivery, buyers 11 5/16; +1/16; sellers 11 7/16 +1/16.

Liverpool Cotton: Amer. Futures: Jan. 7.44 —1; Mar. 7.44 unch; May 7.40 unch; Jan. 7.37 +1; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 contract Jan. 8.52 +2; Mar. 8.68 +2; May 8.82 +1; July 8.90 unch.

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, quoted £230 unch; 3 mths quoted £230 unch.—Reuter.

New York Prices Recover

New York, Dec. 5.

Prices on the New York Stock Exchange advanced today, but gloom spread in some quarters because of the recent steady recession of market activity. Wall Street operators even on their present curtailed set-up just about break even on a million share a day average.

Meanwhile, however, business news continues to reflect optimism and the market was slightly more active today. Experts reported that sales were increasing to establish gains and losses for tax purposes. In several instances, they reported, some sellers have replaced their holdings with different issues.

The National Association of Manufacturers reported today that 65 per cent. of its members believe that production will hold up or even rise in the next six months. Notwithstanding favourable business news, however, the market continues to reflect uncertainty regarding the future and analysts anticipate narrow moving, dull markets.

Steels were about steady today and coppers were firm. Utilities were steady, rails were little changed, oils showed small losses and motors were irregular. Farms equipments, amusements and minings were higher while a long list of specials were strong, reflecting selective buying.—United Press.

German Shipments to Shanghai Decrease

Osaka, Dec. 6.

As a result of the war the amount of German chemicals, dyestuffs and medicines imported into Shanghai was rapidly decreasing, according to information received by Osaka municipal authorities.

During January to October this year Japan exported to Shanghai $9,160,000 worth of chemicals, dyes and medicines. Similar products from Germany were valued at $23,510,000, while these imports from the United States amounted to $4,390,000.

In view of the fact that American goods were comparatively high in value, Japan would be able to ship more goods to Shanghai, according to the information.—Domei.

U.S. Rubber May Buy Fisk

New York, Dec. 6.

United States Rubber announced yesterday that it was negotiating to purchase the entire plant facilities and business of the Fisk Rubber Co.

Reports circulated in the financial district said that U.S. Rubber's acquisition of Fisk would be accomplished by an exchange of common stock and six per cent. Fisk preferred, redeemable at the call price of 100. At present it is quoted at 104.—United Press.

Corporation Officials Sell Stock

Washington, Dec. 6.

The Securities and Exchange Commission report showed yesterday that executives of General Motors and Chrysler Corp. sold part of their share holdings in their respective corporations in October.

Among the sellers were Mr. Lawrence P. Fisher and Mr. William A. Fisher, both General Motors directors, as well as Mr. Walter P. Chrysler and Mr. E. T. Keller, chairman and vice-president respectively of Chrysler Corp.—United Press.

CAPTAIN Franz von Rintelen,—chief of the German spy chain in America in the last war,—is to retain his liberty of movement in England, subject to certain conditions. This was the decision of an Aliens Tribunal before which he appeared in London. Admiral Sir Reginald Hall, who was responsible for his capture in 1915, spoke on his behalf. After the hearing, Captain von Rintelen was taken away in great secrecy. Police-Officers called a taxi-cab, which was brought into the schoolyard and the gates closed. When it left, its only passenger, Captain von Rintelen, was crouching down with his hands over his face.

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Post Office Notices

The following times apply to the Head Post Office, Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

THURSDAY, December 7.		Reg.	Ord.
Japan and Korea via Nagasaki		*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao		8.30	9.00
Japan Honolulu U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific		14.00	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		16.30	17.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00
FRIDAY, December 8.			
Tsingtao Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin		*20.00	7.15
Tinghai and Shenklamen via Tinghai	X	8.30	9.00
Aust. N.Z. Manila and Java Ports	A	11.30	12.30
Amoy Hongkong and Canton		12.00	12.30
Foochow and Swatow via Amoy		12.00	12.30
Ningpo Wenchow etc. via Chinhai	X	12.30	13.00
Nantung		14.30	15.00
Indo-China (Z) via Haiphong	B	—	—
SATURDAY, December 9.			
Japan and Korea via Nagasaki		*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao and Dairen		*20.00	7.15
Amoy		*20.00	7.15
Fukien Province and Swatow via Amoy		*20.00	7.15
Hongkong and Haiphong		*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao and Tientsin	X	9.30	10.00
U.S.S.R. and Europe via Siberia	X	9.00	10.30
Chefoo and Tientsin	X	10.00	10.30

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 16.00 on 7th.
B Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 8th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Z Parcel mail only.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service per steamer on December 8, at 11.30 a.m. for registerpd and at 12.30 p.m. for ordinary due London on December 20.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on Dec. 8, at 11.30 a.m. for registered and at 12.30 p.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on Dec. 20.
Air France per steamer on December 8, at 11.30 a.m. for registered and at 12.30 p.m. for ordinary.
Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Batavia-Naples) per steamer to Hongkong.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per steamer to Hongkong.
Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service: daily at 8 p.m.

Domestic Air Mail

Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 9.45 a.m. and 12.00, at Yuhang Road Sub-Office at 9.15 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.
Hwaining, Kiukiang and Hankow per Shanghai-Hankow Air Line daily at 10.30 p.m.
Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west to Hongkong for the Hongkong-Chungking plane.
Peiping, Tientsin, Tsinan, Tatung, Kalgan Shanhaikwan, Tsingtao, Tungshan, Shihkiachwang, Changte, Taiyuan, Kaifeng and Yuncheng by the planes of the Chung Hua Air Transport Co. daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Wuhu, Hwaining, Kiukiang and Hankow 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer, via Pacific, Dec. 7, due L'don Jan. 10.
Per steamer, via Suez, Dec. 15, due L'don Jan. 17.
Per steamer, via Pacific, Dec. 16, due L'don Jan. 16.

Weather, Time and Tide

Thursday, December 7, 1939 (27th day of 10th moon)	SICCAWEI			
	Dec. 5		Dec. 6	
	16.00	21.00	4.00	9.00
Barometer inches	30.38	30.40	30.34	30.39
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.04	—0.07	—0.09
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.08	—0.04	—0.01
Wind (direction)	NE	E	E	SE
" (miles per hour)	2.5	7.4	8.7	1.2
Temperature (Fahr.)	51.3°	40.1°	36.7°	46.6°
Humidity %	58	82	97	89
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	1	0	0	8
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report December 5	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.42	—0.03	30.29
Temp. Min. 28.°2 Max. 59.°5	43.°9	+2.°9	45.°3
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	47.05	—	43.45

Time and Tide	7/12	8/12	9/12	10/12	11/12
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.39	6.39	6.40	6.41	6.42
Sun sets at Shanghai	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51
Moon rises at Shanghai	2.38	3.41	4.43	5.42	6.39
Moon sets at Shanghai	14.12	14.55	15.43	16.33	17.25
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	7.25	8.06	8.45	9.24	10.10
Ebb makes Shai. 6 to 18	12.38	13.27	14.16	15.05	15.50
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	9.15	10.10	10.40	11.35	12.00
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	8.12	9.25	9.88	—	9.07

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening

From LOS ANGELES: Asama Maru, with mail, due 10 a.m. Wayside Wharf.

From DAIREN: Hoten Maru, with mail, due between 2-3 p.m. Whangpoo Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From ANTWERP
Tamesis 20/10 17/12

From GENOA
C. B'camano 23/11 20/12

From TRIESTE
Volpi 5/10 8/12
Cortellazzo 28/10 24/12
Fusijama 21/11 12/1

From BOMBAY
C. B'camano 5/12 20/12
Cortelazzo 24/11 24/12

From SINGAPORE
Volpi 20/11 8/12

From SOERABAYA
Tjibadak 1/12 18/12

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK
H. Maersk 25/10 10/12
Vigrid 10/10 19/12
M. Maersk 10/11 26/12
L. Maersk 25/11 10/1

From PANAMA
L. Maersk 6/12 10/1

From LOS ANGELES
Tatuta M. 20/11 16/12
M. Maersk 1/12 26/12

From HONOLULU
Tatuta M. 28/11 16/12

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

From KOBE
H. Maersk 7/12 10/12

From NAGASAKI
Nagasaki M. 7/12 8/12

From KEELUNG
Hukuken M. 6/12 9/12

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN
Boissevain 15/11 23/12

From MOMBASA
Boissevain 3/12 23/12

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN
Tsingtao M. 8/12 10/12

Vessels Discharging

TALTHYBIUS. From Vancouver arrived on Dec. 2, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on December 11, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Friday, December 8, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 7-12

ESKBANK The American-Oriental Line m.v. Eskbank, from U.S.A. via Ports.—This vessel is now discharging her cargo (except Prohibited Articles and Dangerous Goods) at Old Ningpo Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by Consignees of cargo. All Claims against this vessel must be sent in before December 21, 1939, or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined on Monday, December 11, at 9 a.m. Bills of Lading must be produced at the examination. Lacey & Cannan, Ltd., Agents, American-Oriental Line. 8-12

Vessels Sailing

The undermentioned vessels are due to sail from Shanghai upon the dates indicated.

For LONDON
Hakone Maru 27/12
Kasima Maru 5/1

For GENOA
C. B'camano 22/12
Victoria 8/1

For OSLO
Tai Ping 30/12

For CAPETOWN
Boissevain 25/12

For BOMBAY
Kaisyo Maru 18/12

For CALCUTTA
Tusima Maru 8/12

For JAVA
Tjinegara 8/12
Tjibadak 21/12

For MANILA
H. Maersk 11/12
P. Coolidge 3/1

For NEW YORK
Naruto Maru 8/12
Kiyokawa Maru 9/12
Gret. Maersk 15/12
Talisman 19/12
G. Maersk 1/1
H. Maersk 15/1

For San FRANCISCO
Asama Maru 8/12
P. Cleveland 20/12
Tatuta Maru 23/12
P. Pierce 2/1
P. Coolidge 16/1

For YOKOHAMA
Hokozaki Maru 27/12

For KOBE
Taiyo Maru 13/12

For NAGASAKI
Shanghai Maru 7/12
Nagasaki Maru 9/12
Shanghai Maru 12/12
Nagasaki Maru 14/12
Shanghai Maru 17/12

For DAIREN
Hoten Maru 9/12
Tsingtao Maru 12/12
Dairen Maru 15/12
Hoten Maru 17/12
Tsingtao Maru 20/12

Vessels Leaving

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TJINEGARA Dec. 8. AMOY, HONGKONG, MANILA, CEBU, MACASSAR, BALI, SOERABAIA and JAVA N.C.—The J.C.J.L. ms. Tjinegara sails from Customs Lower Buoys No. 15-16 on Friday, Dec. 8, at 4 p.m. taking cargo to Java and transhipment in Java. Passengers tender leaves Customs Jetty at 2 p.m. Excellent passenger accommodation. Through tickets issued to European, Australian and African Ports. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 8-12

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TALISMAN Dec. 19. LOS ANGELES and NEW YORK via PANAMA CANAL.—Barber-Wilhelmsen Line motor vessel Talisman sails from Shanghai on December 19, accepting cargo for all Overland Points Dodwell & Co., Ltd.—Agents, 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 19-12

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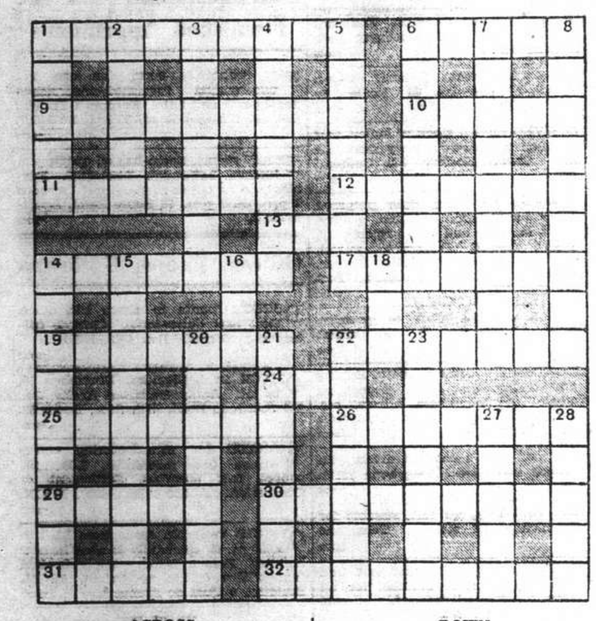

ACROSS

1 Hardly the fellow to train and keep up with sprinters
6 His writings were not intended for publication
9 A perfume
10 Ships put out this (two words)
11 Kind of rubber
13 Imputes change here
13 You are using it evidently
14 Marked for a purpose
17 Put another vowel for the last two and this becomes part of 13 across
19 Upset at lunch to make not fast
22 Do this if it's a hiding you're wanting
24 A place in the Moray region
25 The uncertainty of an incomplete grave object in duty
26 Fruity suggestion of a place of rest after a shortened period
29 Sign of the Zodiac
30 Its inmates are there for lack of apparent ending
31 Kind of flush that might change even a poker face
32 R.L.S. wrote it

DOWN

1 A forward affair
2 Sandy may describe its surroundings
3 He sells nothing but one may find his charges low
4 Put in another form
5 No, this athlete does not necessarily worry people
6 The sound of the shower
7 The adventurer whose first part was second part speaks of it in this (two words)
8 It may shed light on the horrors of the battlefield
14 Appropriate decision in the case of the high-jumper who offended against the law (two wrods)
15 Free (two words)
16 The rest in wretchedness
18 Personal element in negotiation
20 Baffle the end of this plant
21 A word from the Little Boy Blue rhyme
22 Having stuff to start but having little room
23 The aim of the Buddhist
27 Easten with luminous ending
28 Drift with a certain end

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS:** 1, Play-bill; 5, Hold-up; 3, Peshawar; 10, Weller; 12, Nightmare; 14, Suvla; 15, Era; 16, Afraid; 18, Norse; 21, Oxide; 22, Archer; 24, Eel; 27, Extol; 28, Swinburne; 31, Verona; 32, Waterman; 33, Racket; 34, Headband. **DOWN:** 1, Piping; 2, Assign; 3, Beast; 4, Lama; 6, Obeisance; 7, Delivery; 8, Portages; 11, Meed; 13, Mar; 17, Freelance; 19, Moreover; 20, Historic; 22, Also; 23, Ren; 25, Crimea; 26, Leonid; 29, Irate; 30, Blend.

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Pres. Taft	Hongkong	A.P.L.
Tjinegara	Amoy	J.C.J.L.
H. Kiangnan	T'senkong	Foo Hwa
Patti	Sanhokong	V. Chieri
Bonho	Hsinkong	Don Shing
Shanghai M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Karsten	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Dah Hsing
Klangnan	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Meinan	Ningpo	S.V.O.C.
Hwaping	T'lungkong	Hwa Chung
Luise	Hsinkong	G.M.C.
Lipari	T'lungkong	Dong Shing
Chekiang M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Liesel	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Romolo	Luiho Point	V. Chieri

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Nagisan M.	Jap.	M.B.K.
Dairen M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Nagato M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Tikugo M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Pres. Taft	Am.	A.P.L.

Men-of-War in Port

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Sweden Strengthens Defences In Face of Soviet Forces

Finland's Gallant Stand Wins Strong Sympathy In Scandinavia, Hungary and Throughout Italy

Stockholm, Dec. 6.

ALL lighthouses on the east coast of Sweden were blacked out last night and a large mine field was laid between Sweden and the strategic Aaland Islands as the Red Army continued its advance into Finland.

Partial mobilization of Swedish forces, in addition to strengthening defence positions on the Finnish frontier, will result in heavy concentrations of troops on Sweden's southern coast overlooking the Kattegat, it was learned last night. On the east coast classes will be summoned to increase the personnel of the artillery units of fortifications there.

The mobilization was ordered quietly with notices inserted in the advertising sections of newspapers. There was no tolling of church bells as when classes were summoned in September at the inception of the European war.

The mobilization order followed preparations for the evacuation of Stockholm if necessary. All army leave was suspended.

Scandinavian Joint Policy

The spread of hostilities intensified the alarm of all Scandinavian countries. Norway invited the Swedish and Danish Foreign Ministers to Oslo on Thursday to frame a parallel policy in preparation for the League Assembly meeting on December 11.

The Swedish Premier, M. P. A. Hansson, announced last night that he was negotiating with the various political parties for the formation of a new government, probably excluding the present Foreign Minister, M. Rickard Sandler, who has been under bitter attack in the German press. The Premier's action was seen as a move to appease both Germany and Russia since the German outburst against the Foreign Minister was believed to have been directed from Moscow.

The Premier is expected to retain his present post in the new Cabinet. Other members of the Government expected to remain in office include the Minister of Defence, Mr. Peter Skoelt; the Minister of Finance, M. E. Wigforss, and the Minister of Agriculture, M. K. Bramstorp. M. Sandler, however, is expected to represent Sweden at the meeting of the Oslo Powers on Thursday. — United Press.

Strong Sympathy for Finns

Stockholm, Dec. 5.

Swedish sympathy for war-ridden Finland is clearly demonstrated in all classes of the population and while the Royal Family today contributed 26,000 crowns to a fund for the Finnish Red Cross, industrialists and other private individuals rallied to offer 1,000,000 crowns to equip a volunteer corps.

Finnish refugees, reports from all frontier cities stated, are welcomed by all Swedes. The few Communists remaining in Sweden are treated with contempt.

Student and labour organizations have held many meetings in recent days and with unanimity have voted resolutions expressing their readiness to make every sacrifice for their country and voicing confidence in Finland's cause.

Since Soviet Russia does not recognize the Risto Ryti Government of Finland, she cannot agree to have the Swedish Minister in Moscow represent Finnish interests in the U.S.S.R., the Kremlin informed the Swedish Government today.—Havas.

Denmark Stays Neutral

Copenhagen, Dec. 5.

Solidarity among the northern European countries remains and will remain unshakeable despite present sad events, the Premier, Herr Th. A. M. Stauning, declared today, but all Denmark concurs in stressing the desire to maintain neutrality. M. Stauning made his statement in the form of an address to newspapermen, and emphasized Denmark's policy of neutrality as laid down May 31, last year. All Denmark, he asserted, is united in the desire for peace.—Havas.

Hungarian Deputies Cheer

Budapest, Dec. 5.

The Hungarian Chamber of Deputies today resounded to hearty cheering when the Premier, Count Paul Teleki mentioned the plight of Finland, alluding to "the war between the courageous and valorous Finnish nation, to whom we are linked by friendly relations, and Soviet Russia." The Premier added, "The fate of our sister, Finnish nation fills us with sorrow and anguish."—Havas.

Germany Not to Intervene

Berlin, Dec. 6.

Affirming Germany's intention to refrain from intervention in the Soviet-Finnish conflict, the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" says: "Germany and Russia have re-established friendly relations, and it cannot be the business of the Reich to interfere where Russia has decided to safeguard her ancient, vital interests."—Reuter.

Nazis Recognize Helsinki

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.

It is not expected in Berlin that Germany will recognize the so-called Finnish "People's Government" set up at Terijoki, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Politiken." The Wilhelmstrasse, the correspondent adds, will continue to recognize the government at Helsinki.—Reuter.

Italians Demonstrate

Rome, Dec. 5.

"Exterminate the Soviets" Italian student demonstrators shouted today in demonstration before the Finnish Legation here. They cheered the Finnish Minister and then tried to attack the Soviet Embassy, but were repelled by police guards.—Havas.

Italian Movement Grows

Rome, Dec. 6.

Fascist student demonstrations against Russia on behalf of Finland spread to Milan yesterday and were renewed at Rome, as thousands of demonstrators at the capital paraded shouting, "Down with Communism! Viva Finland!"

The police estimated that over 1,000 students demonstrated before the Finnish Legation yesterday and another column of 500 marched past the American Consulate-General shouting anti-Soviet slogans. Several groups attempted to march to the Soviet Embassy, but steel-helmeted grenadiers blocked the route and dispersed the demonstrators.

A delegation of ten students called on the Finnish Minister in behalf of the university students of all Italy and expressed their admiration for the Finnish stand against her powerful neighbour. The Minister replied that he would send their greetings to the students of Finland.

Reports were current that Germany may exert pressure on Russia to reach a peaceful settlement in Finland to please Italy. The reports were based on the sudden departure for Berlin of the German Ambassador from Rome. The authoritative Rome morning journal, "Messaggero", in an editorial yesterday, said that Russia will encounter trouble if she attempts to push southward into the Balkans. The newspaper denied any Italo-German differences regarding the Balkans.—United Press.

Observations in London

London, Dec. 6.

Finland will find in Europe, especially in the neutral countries, more effective financial and other help than at first was believed probable, British political quarters observed today.

Information on this forthcoming assistance already has been received here from Italy, the Scandinavian countries and even from the Balkans. The last-named, it was pointed out here, themselves fear both Germany and Soviet Russia, and know not which to guard against first.

The Finnish Legation here in London daily is receiving testimony of sympathy from all parts of the country, and in many of the letters there are checks for the Finnish Red Cross. Finnish-Soviet hostilities are followed by the masses of the people with great interest.—Havas.

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Former Corps Members in Shanghai Urged to Join Regimental Association

All former members of the Royal Army Service Corps, who are now residents in Shanghai, have been urged, in an appeal issued by the Hon. Secretary of the R.A.S.C. Regimental Association, No. 31 (Shanghai) Branch, to give their full support to the aims and objects of Association locally, among which the assistance of needy ex-soldiers and the promotion of the welfare of the Corps and its members are included.

In his appeal the Secretary outlines the policy adopted by the Regimental Association Headquarters in London following the outbreak of war. "It is pleasing to learn," he states, "that the Association is sparing no effort to continue all normal activities and that the charitable work continues to be carried on in spite of the necessary reduction in staff and funds."

The R.A.S.C. Regimental Associations, like the Old Comrades' Associations of other Corps, was formed with the following objects in view: to foster esprit de corps throughout the world, to promote the welfare of the Corps and its members, to organize social gatherings and to assist members to obtain suitable employment at home and abroad.

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The Secretary continues his appeal by pointing out that in the so-called prosperous times of peace there were literally hundreds of applicants for every vacant post and an employer was, thereby, given an opportunity of making a very careful selection, with the result that only those candidates who possessed the highest qualifications could hope to be considered. The Association, he states, was fully aware of this sad state of affairs and did all it was possible to do. Upon the outbreak of war, however, there were still many ex-soldiers without any employment and for these men work could not be found.

The Association still depends on the active support of non-serving members for the quick transmission of information as to vacant positions, etc., the Secretary points out. Another object of the Association is to relieve members and their dependents who are in necessitous circumstances and, with this object in view, a great deal of charitable work is carried on by the Association to ease the lot of ex-soldiers and their families whose plight is desperate.

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Operated by the Association in London are the following funds: The Regimental Association Central Fund, The Corps Grave Fund, The Corps Memorial Fund and the Corps Compassionate Fund. All serving and non-serving members are entitled to assistance from the last two named funds if their circumstances warrant it.

In concluding his appeal the Secretary regrets the "What do I get out of it ?" attitude adopted by ex-soldiers, who are eligible to join the Association. By joining the Association the ex-soldier is showing the right spirit. He may never require the assistance of the Association, the Secretary continues, but the aim of the Association is to help others.

All ex-R.A.S.C. men are invited to communicate with the Hon. Secretary of the Association at Ash Camp, Great Western Road. Full particulars of the activities of the Association and its programme for the future will then be supplied.

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